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WINTER GAMES IN GERMANY

British Threat To Withdraw Team
SUSPENSION OF ENGLISH BORN CANADIANS

Garmisch (Bavaria), To-day.
Herr Hitler, surrounded by the other Nazi leaders, including Dr. Goebbels, opened the Winter Olympic Games in a snowstorm in the presence of 75,000 people. The bands played the "Horst Wessel Song" and "Deutschland über Alles." As the flag of each nation participating was lowered in salute Herr Hitler responded with upraised arm.
A sensation was provided by the British threat to withdraw their ice hockey team in consequence of the suspension of two English-born Canadian members of the side by the International Ice Hockey Association on a technicality.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*
ICE HOCKEY RESULTS
Garmisch-Partenkirchen: The Ice Stadium was packed to the last place for the first event, the ice hockey match between the United States and Germany, which was won by the former by 1-0.
At the same time another match was going on on the Blesser Lake, which ended in a victory for the Canadians against the Polish, by 8-1.
In the second ice hockey match yesterday at the Ice Stadium Hungary defeated Belgium by 11-2.
The fourth game of ice hockey yesterday ended in a victory for Sweden against Japan by 2-0.—*Trans-Ocean Service.*
(Earlier cables on Page 10)

CITY OF KHARTOUM DISASTER

Inspector's Conclusions To Be Published

London, To-day.
Making a statement in the House of Commons yesterday on the City of Khartoum disaster the Under-Secretary for Air, Sir Philip Sassoon, said that the conclusions of the Inspector of Accidents would be published in due course.
He recalled that pilots were required to satisfy themselves before beginning a flight of the adequacy of the fuel and water supplies. This was still part of the training instructions of Imperial Airways.—*Reuter.*

ARMS COMMISSION ENQUIRY

EVIDENCE AT HEARING IN ENGLAND
IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES DOT NOT MAKE POISON GAS

London, To-day.
The heads of Imperial Chemical Industries, giving evidence before the Arms Commission, were succeeded yesterday by Major Clark, Managing Director of Hadfield's, a big Sheffield organisation, who denied that Hadfield's had sold their armour-piercing shells or had allowed people to manufacture them on licence to eight foreign countries. He added that there was no secrecy about the shell, as it was patented.
In the earlier proceedings on Imperial Chemical Industries, a chemical expert refuted the general impression that mustard gas was easy to make. He said that if he had the raw materials given to him he would have an extraordinarily difficult job to make it, despite his 20 years' experience of chemistry.
Sir Harry McGowan, Chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries, stated that the firm would not be concerned with private loss by nationalisation of arms' manufacture, but nationalisation would mean a great loss to the country. In answer to a question by the Commissioners he said that Imperial Chemical Industries did not make poison gas, and he did not know any other firm making it.
Imperial Chemical Industries' representative, Mr. Rogers, agreed that generally speaking it was necessary for peace-time orders to be secured to enable any concern to be ready for an emergency in war time.

SMITHFIELD STRIKE

Attempt To Enlarge Movement

London, To-day.
Some 200 strikers from Smithfield yesterday marched to dockland and tried to persuade the dockers to strike in sympathy, but the dockers were unable to accede to the request as the strike is unofficial.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

PARLEYS IN PARIS

More Conversations To Be Held

Paris, To-day.
The first stage of the political discussions now going on here was concluded by a dinner given by Prince Regent Paul of Yugoslavia to the members of the French Government and many other prominent persons.
The second series of conversations will begin in a few days with the arrival of the Czechoslovakian Premier, M. Hodza. King Christian of Denmark arrived here yesterday, but no political significance is attached to his visit.—*Trans-Ocean Service.*

NEW ZEALAND'S BUDGET

Satisfactory Position Disclosed

Wellington, To-day.
The finances of New Zealand for the last nine months of 1935, according to a statement by the Minister of Finance, showed that the income from taxation had increased by \$125,000 and that expenditure was well within the amount provided in last year's budget. The statement adds that New Zealand expects to have a balanced budget in the coming financial year.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

The heads of other large engineering firms gave evidence that where armaments plant existed it was very little used. Mr. G. D. Burton, Managing Director of the Birmingham Small Arms Co., Ltd., said that the small arms industry in England had been crippled through lack of Government support. If that were not so there would be no necessity for the Government to purchase foreign makes of small arms, as it was doing. "Instead of factories like Hotchkiss, Bren and Colt being kept busy, as they have been for a number of years, while the B.S.A. stood practically idle, our company would be working to capacity and in an emergency would immediately be able to switch entirely to home requirements."—*(Continued on Page 14)*

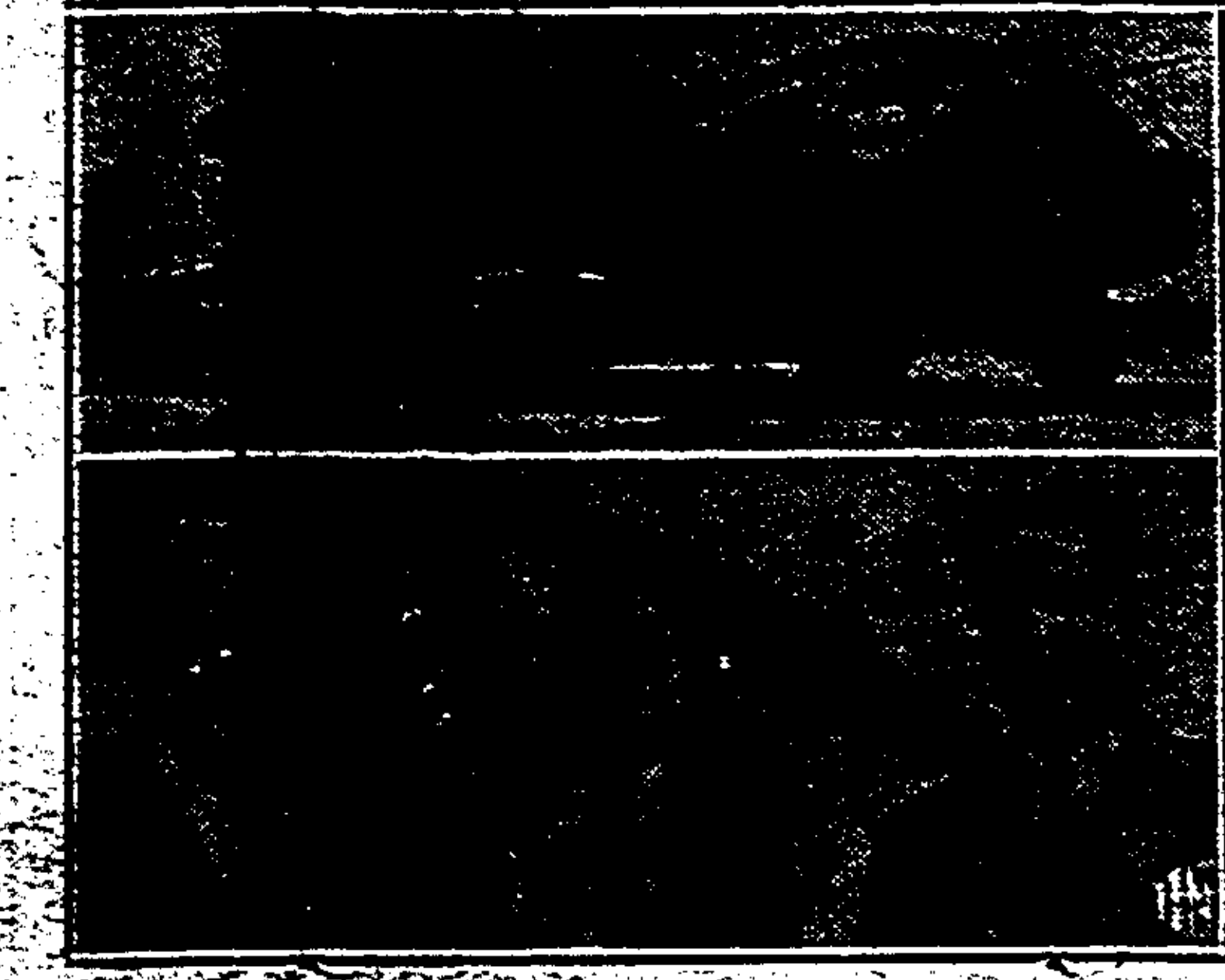
PRINCE OTTO'S MOVEMENTS

Being Watched With Interest

Paris, To-day.
The movements of the Archduke Otto, who arrived in Paris on Wednesday, are watched with interest as it is understood that he had a conversation with Prince von Starhemberg, which, however, is not confirmed.
Although Prince von Starhemberg assured M. Flandin that Austria would not restore the monarchy before consulting the members of the Little Entente, he added that Austria reserved entire freedom in internal affairs regarding her form of Government.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

H.M.S. KENT AT MANILA

Manila, To-day.—H.M.S. Kent, bearing Vice-Admiral Little, Commander-in-Chief, China Station, arrived in Manila this morning on a courtesy visit. No social functions have been arranged owing to the death of King George, but the full complement of the port are being entertained. Three R.A.F. flying boats from Singapore are expected here on Wednesday next, staying three days after which they are proceeding to Hong Kong.—*Reuter.*



The sub-sonic plane Crusader (top) is exhibited at Miami, Fla. (below) S. P. Ballantine, J. H. Corder, the pilot, and Thomas M. Shelton are planning a record flight to Chicago. The plane is built to fly at 300 miles an hour at a 25,000-foot altitude and designer Shelton thinks it can hop from New York to Paris in 12 hours.

500 DIE FROM COLD IN UNITED STATES

42 BELOW ZERO RECORDED AT THIEF RIVER FALLS

New York, To-day.
With the Arctic conditions continuing into the third week the death toll of the nation is soaring. The cold has resulted in the loss of 500 lives since January 1. Nearly 60 people have died in the past three days.

FILM USED AS EVIDENCE

Collision Case In Germany

Hamburg, To-day.
For the first time in the administration of justice by the German Navigation Court, a moving picture of a collision between two vessels has been admitted as decisive evidence.
On November 8 last the Russian motor-ship Corporatia collided with the German motor-schooner Hoffnung in Kiel.
The collision was observed and filmed by a German minelayer. The evidence of the eye-witnesses proved too conflicting to be relied on, whereas the film, produced in Court, proved that the blame was exclusively due to the Captain of the Hoffnung.—*Trans-Ocean Service.*

CHARGE AGAINST JAPANESE

Fishing Craft Used For Military Purposes?

Washington, To-day.
The charge that Japanese craft operating off the Alaskan coast, ostensibly fishing, are really acting for military purposes was made by Representative Sirovich before the Merchant Marine Committee of the House yesterday.
"These Japanese vessels take soundings and are exploring the water depths, photographing the coastline and spotting possible aeroplane landing fields and submarine bases."
Mr. Sirovich added that Japan's purpose is to grab Alaska in the event of war to provide a food supply for the Japanese, who are fish-eaters.—*Reuter.*

MR. ARITA ARRIVES IN CHINA

Tokyo, To-day.—The Japanese ambassador to China, Mr. Arita, is expected to arrive in Shanghai on Wednesday next.—*Reuter.*

The railways are experiencing serious dislocation of the services, and trains everywhere east of the Rockies have been heavily delayed. In some places they have been standing in snowdrifts for days on end.
About 25 feet of snow is reported from New Holstein, Wisconsin. A temperature of 42 degrees below zero has been recorded at Thief River Falls.—*Reuter.*

MORE RAIDS ON TERRITORY

Five Districts To Be Invaded?

Peiping, To-day.
Chinese reports from Kalgan state that the 5,000 Manchukuo and Mongol troops which occupied the six counties of Chahar on December 17, are now preparing to invade Suifu Province for the purpose of adding five more districts to the area under their control.
The Manchukuo troops are commanded by General Li Shou-hsin and their Mongol allies by Tso Shih-hai, who recently established an independent regime in the captured counties.—*Reuter.*
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OBITUARY

Francis Henry Hawkins

London, To-day.
The death has occurred of Francis Henry Hawkins, Chairman of the Standing Committee of the Conference of the British Missionary Societies. He paid several visits to China, the last being in 1927-28.—*Reuter.*

STOKE REAT BIRMINGHAM

London, To-day.—Playing at home yesterday Stoke City, having been beaten by 2 goals to 1 in their postponed First Division soccer fixture.—*Reuter.*

GRAPHIC STORY OF CONDITIONS

MEDICAL SUPPLIES BADLY NEEDED
CAMP BOMBED ALMOST DAILY

Dessie, To-day.
Confirmation of the Abyssinians' claim to a great victory in Tembien is given by Dr. Brophil, a member of the Irish ambulance, who, after working with the ambulance three miles from Makalle, reached here after a 15-days' mule journey.
Dr. Brophil, who is the first white man to return from the northern front, told a vivid story of the difficulties under which the ambulances are working. They were all in good health but needed supplies. For the last two months they had not had any mail, tobacco, milk or salt. They were working at high pressure, dealing with an average of 100 seriously wounded persons daily. He alleged that his camp was almost daily bombed and subjected to machine-gun fire by the Italians.—*Reuter.*

Geneva: The sub-committee on oil transport yesterday completed its work. It is understood that its report shows that there are serious practical difficulties in the way of an embargo on transport, notably in the matter of control.

The committee of experts is expected to finish its work next week, when a report will be sent to all the Governments, which will be given about three weeks to consider the information. The Committee of Eighteen will be convened about the beginning of March.—*Reuter.*

Asmara, To-day.—Badoglio paid a special visit to Makalle on Wednesday, where he was greeted by Ras Gugsa, now known as "Emperor of East Tigray." After visiting the Coptic Church, the Marshal visited the home of the army as well as Ras Gugsa's troops that were drawn up on the market square, and delivered a short address.—*Trans-Ocean Service.*
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PROCEDURE AT INQUESTS

Sweeping Reforms Suggested

London, To-day.
Sweeping reforms in inquest procedure are recommended in the report of the Department Committee on Coroners.
It is proposed that the Coroner should no longer be empowered to commit a person to trial on a charge of murder, manslaughter or infanticide. Verdicts of Suicide while of Unsound Mind and *felix de se* should be abolished and the verdict "Died by his own hand" substituted.
The press should be prohibited from publishing an account of an inquest on a suicide, apart from the formal findings.—*Reuter.*

GREAT WAR ECHO

Death Of Nurse Cavell's Associate

Brussels, To-day.
The death has occurred of the Englishwoman Madame Bodart, who was sentenced to death along with Nurse Edith Cavell for assisting allied soldiers to escape from Belgium, but whose sentence was commuted to imprisonment.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH NOTE TO GENEVA

ITALIAN CHARGES REFUTED

SUPPLY OF DUM-DUM BULLETS CATEGORICALLY DENIED

Geneva, To-day.
Reference to the "British and unauthenticated" charges of the Italian charges of British complicity in the manufacture of dum-dum bullets for the Ethiopians is made in a note sent by the British Government to the League, categorically denying that any firm in the United Kingdom supplied Ethiopia with dum-dum or explosive ammunition for military purposes.
It points out that very strict control is exercised over all exports, as a result of which the authorities are in a position to see that the international regulations and standards are strictly complied with. Rebutting the charges against English firms, the note mentions that the Italian papers charge that Ethiopia ordered 10,000,000 cartridges, "half of them to be clipped." The note says that a copy of the original telegram has been secured and was found to read: "Half of the quantity in clips of five."
The note adds that the British Government expresses no opinion on the accuracy of the Italian charges of the Ethiopians' use of illegal ammunition. They are merely concerned with the charges against British firms.—*Reuter.*

IMPROVEMENTS AT ALEXANDRIA

British Government's Contributions

London, To-day.
The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Lord Cranborne, was asked in the House of Commons yesterday about the proposals for the dredging of Alexandria Harbour and the construction of a railway from Fuka, and whether the Egyptian Government had requested financial assistance. He replied that the estimated expenditure for the additional dredging of Alexandria Harbour was 20,000 Egyptian pounds, and His Majesty's Government had spontaneously offered to contribute a sum of not exceeding 10,000 Egyptian pounds.—*(Continued on Page 3)*

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BROADCASTING RECEIVING LICENCES, 1936

All Existing Licences expire on 31st December, 1935.

New Licences for 1936 will be available at the Government Radio Office, P. & O. Building, as from 1st January, 1936 and will be issued from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. against the receipt of a remittance of \$10.

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(a) personally

(b) by messenger

(c) by post

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed cheque payable to Hong Kong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

In the case of renewal the old licence should be returned with the application.

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INWARD MAILS

FROM EUROPE

Somali Feb. 18

FROM SHANGHAI

Chitral Feb. 7

Pres. McKinley 7

Tyndareus 7

Shantung 8

Patroclus 11

Sphinx 11

Pres. Hoover 13

Yusufi Maru 13

General Lee 14

Pres. Garfield 14

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Diamond Feb. 10

Teucer 10

Conte Verde 13

Pushimi Maru 15

Kutsang 15

Ajax 16

Somali 18

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. McKinley Feb. 7

Pres. Hoover 13

General Lee 14

Pres. Garfield 14

FROM MANILA

Changte Feb. 11

Pres. Taft 11

Tyikemang 15

Ajax 16

FROM JAPAN

Chitral Feb. 7

Pres. McKinley 7

Jeyapore 7

Nagara Maru 7

Tanahima Maru 7

Guyo Maru 10

Yusufi Maru 13

General Lee 14

Pres. Garfield 14

Penang Maru 14

Delagos Maru 15



The Women Of 1936

Some Fashion Forecasts Shorter Sports Skirts?

To attempt to prophesy the sweep two continents. A noted trend of feminine fashions for a dressmaker returns from a holiday in Patagonia, another from a Greenland trip. Each has a sketchbook full of notes. Three months afterwards, women's clothes strongly hint at Patagonian or Eskimo influences.

And yet there are some things that can be foreseen. The general consensus of opinion among the leading London dressmakers is that in 1936 clothes will be uncommonly feminine. Women will find themselves almost as beruffled and befrilled at sleeves and neck as their ancestresses were a hundred years ago. Indeed, history will repeat itself, because

Sleeves And Necklines will be as important to the dress this year as they were then. This is not because women are tending to be less practical, but because they have begun to realise anew the importance of softening hard lines.

That is why there will be a return of the craze for the fringe (as there was in the 'eighties), but it will be done less lavishly. Frocks will be much trimmed, and the waistline—normal for the moment—will be accentuated with an unusual belt or sash.

The coming year will be remembered—say the dress designers—for the shortening of skirts—but only sports skirts. Not to the absurd length of 1926, but to about 14 inches from the ground, which will make them an inch or so shorter than they are at present.

Pleating is the cause of it. In an effort to get away from the slightly flared or straight skirt which has dominated the fashion for that type of suit for the last two or three years, designers began to experiment with fine pleating, and then discovered that if it were to be successful, a shorter skirt was essential.

Pleating will be almost as important in the evening, but then it will fall softly to our heels. We are to see the last of the train on the evening gown this year; not because women do not like it, but because they have lost the knack of managing it. Besides, crowded dance floors and restaurants are not the right background for a fashion that really belongs to the spacious Edwardian days.

The classic effect that appeared last year will, however, remain to some extent. Moreover, forecasts Mme. Isobel, we shall have Long-Sleeved Dresses with very low décolletages, and long capes and coats in transparent chiffons and organdies, for women have discovered the charm of piquant contrasts for the evening.

But, in spite of all this femininity, women will still have to keep an eye on their diet. Curves are not coming back just yet. For afternoon and evening clothes will remain much at their present

lengths and 1936 fashions will be streamlined. With this simplified line, details will be important. This is where the ruffles and frills will come in, with real lace being used again.

With the knowledge of feminine psychology that is characteristic of your discerning dressmaker, dark accessories have been chosen to accompany light-coloured suits this year—just the touch that will appeal to a woman's vanity. We shall have short, loose jackets, too, and

Our Hats with twists of ribbon, flowers, or feathers as a trimming will be smaller and more dashing than ever.

Colours are to be very bright—M. Roger Worth, and Mme. Elspeth Chamoum, the designer for W. W. Renville-Terry, both agree on this.

And since the main trend of fashion this year will be one of luxury, clothes will become more and more glamorous, in spite of their essential simplicity. Dressmakers will be helped wholeheartedly in this by the material manufacturers, who are designing fabrics probably more lovely than any this generation has yet seen.

It is significant that the masculine dressmakers nearly always more emphatic in his opinions about the "bad" influence of the past on modern clothes than his feminine prototype. We shall still see a good deal of this influence in 1936, of course, but we should not let designers such as Victor Stiebel and Norman Hartnell, the dressmaker who created the Duchess of Gloucester's wedding gown, had their way.



Pale Blue Satin Robe

White Swansdown Collar

Ginger Rogers, the popular film star, is responsible for introducing a new negligee. In her latest picture she wears a pale blue satin robe, cut closely at the waist, then flaring to a full train. Collar and sleeves are banded with the loveliest white swansdown.

The latest in sports outfits is a military-cut two-piece suit worn by Gladys Swarthout, the opera and film star. With it are worn a dark brown felt hat with a brilliantly coloured feather.

Ginger Rogers also displays a fresh design in "Five o'Clock Wear." The tunic is of steel-blue taffeta with a plain box-pleated skirt in dark blue taffeta.

A butterfly bow is worn with the collar, fastened with a rhinestone pin.



HIGH BOOTS FOR SKATING

The Latest In Paris

High kid boots instead of stockings and garters are one of the latest Parisian ideas for the skating enthusiast, and the fashion extends also to the spectator, writes a Paris Correspondent.

These high boots, with front lacing and flat heels, have a little-girl air, and in some cases are of the gumboot kind in black patent to match gloves and trimmings to elbow-length hooded capes.

There is a keener run than ever on skating kit, with canvas bags included for carrying skates.

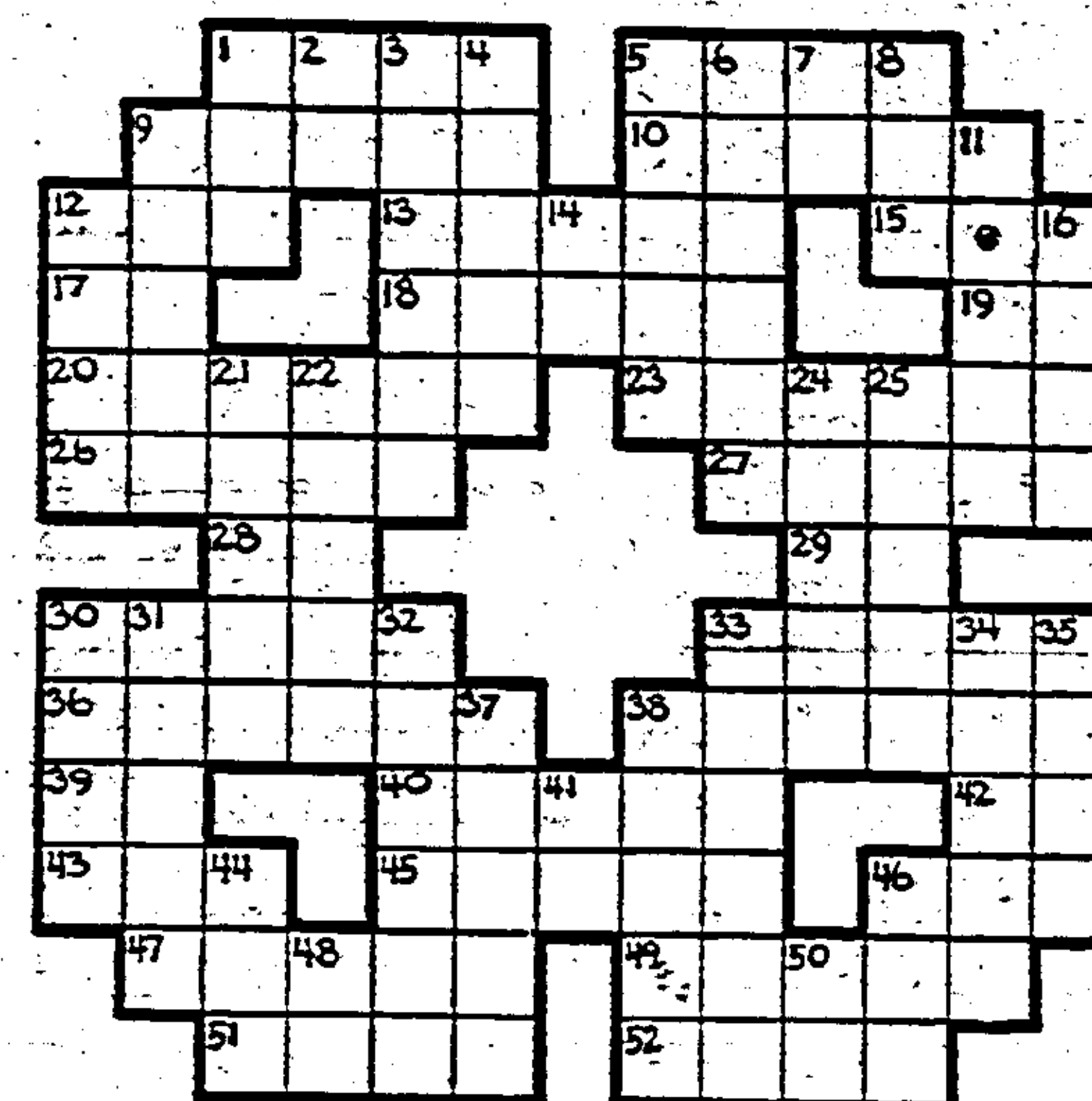
Cay accessories for skating have made their appearance in bright-coloured wool-knit sleeveless waistcoats for wearing over shirt-waist blouses, many of which are of crepe de Chine chosen to match trousers.

Brown corduroy trousers and white flannel jacket, for instance, make a background for orange

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1-Dutch colonist of South Africa
5-Scrutinize
9-Earth (Fr.)
10-Window glasses
12-Hobby
13-Behind
15-Sailor
17-Opera (abbr.)
18-Fiver in France
19-Preposition
20-Trimmer
22-Examined
25-To trample
27-Country thoroughfare
28-Railroad (abbr.)
29-Prefixed Two
30-Vex
33-Bands
36-Crowns
38-An individual

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

39-Old English (abbr.)
40-Wraps
42-Father
43-Half a score
45-Small piles of earth
46-Basoch
47-Unusual
48-Wild animal
50-Cloves of
52-A rest

VERTICAL

1-Piece of furniture
2-Conjunction
3-Rubbed out
4-Allude
5-Wasted
6-A course of business
7-Indefinite article
8-Snare
9-Small candle

VERTICAL (Cont.)

11-Said
12-Fountain
14-Musical note
15-Length measure (pl.)
21-Nest of an eagle
22-Small pastry (pl.)
24-Sedate
25-Appendages
30-Native of Scotland
31-Dress with the back
32-Engraved
33-Girl's name
34-Drunken
35-Projecting tooth
37-Navigates
38-Undressed skins
41-Place (abbr.)
42-Likewise, not
43-A wiper
48-Six
50-Southern States of United States (abbr.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.



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The REGISTER of SHARE of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 3rd February 1936 to WEDNESDAY, the 12th February, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPNEL, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 27th January, 1936

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February to SATURDAY, the 22nd February 1936 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors
V. M. GRAYBURN, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1936.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th February to TUESDAY, 18th February, both days inclusive.

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Hong Kong, 31st Jan., 1936.

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THE new term will commence on Monday, February 10th. New boys' tests will be held on Saturday February 8th at 9 a.m.

There will be a revised scale of fees—

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Class 6	30	"
Class 7	24	"
Class 8	18	"

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OFFICE-BEARERS ELECTED

At the Annual General Business Meeting of the Law and Commerce Society of Hong Kong University, held on Friday last, the following were elected office-bearers for the year 1936.

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Hon. Members: Sir William Hornell, C.B.E., LL.D., Sir William Shenton, Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao.

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BRIDGE NOTES

Underleading A King

By Ely Culbertson

Once years ago students of Contract Bridge used to be told never to lead away from a King. Expert players eventually came to realise that the lead of a low card from the suit headed by the King is not so bad as they once thought and now such a lead is preferred to the underlead of an unsupported Queen or Jack. This proves how wrong accepted standards of the game of Contract Bridge may sometimes turn out to be.

No one has yet come along to disprove the obvious fact that the King itself, when not accompanied by either the Queen or the Ace, should not be led. Yet even this apparent Bridge axiom sometimes has its exceptions. In the deal below I saw one of these exceptions developed in a very forcible manner.

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable
S. Q 6
H. A Q J 8 4
D. 3 2
C. 8 7 5
S. K J 9
H. 10 3 2
D. K Q 10 9
C. 10 6 4

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs).

South West North East
1S. Pass 2H. Pass
3D. (1) Pass 3H. (2) Pass
3S. (3) Pass 4S. (4) Pass

1—Ordinarily with a six and a four-card suit it is proper to bid the long suit a second time before showing the shorter suit. South properly varies the procedure in this case to show that he has a strong hand.

2—His hand is not quite good enough to bid three spades but he fears that a simple rebid of two spades will not adequately express his strength. The three diamond bid, since it raises the trick level, shows that South has a strong hand and encourages North to rebid.

3—This shows rebid values but not great strength.

4—South now shows his rebid-dable spade suit.

West opened the King of diamonds and South won with the Ace. Wishing to establish a heart trick before the opponents could shift to clubs, South's next lead was a heart and he won dummy's Ace, leading back the Queen. East covered and South ruffed, the Jack of hearts now being established.

Next South led a low diamond, preparing to ruff his diamond losers in dummy. Upon winning this diamond trick West was in a predicament. If he failed to lead spades South would be able to ruff both of his losing diamonds. If West led a low spade, dummy's Queen would win the trick and while South could ruff only one diamond loser, he would have avoided the loss of a trump trick.

West adequately solved the problem by laying down the King of spades. This seemingly unnatural play protected the setting trick for East and West. South won with the spade Ace, but now if South wished to ruff a diamond he would have to use the high trump and later lose an extra spade trick. And if South used the Queen of spades to draw a round of trumps, he would eventually be forced to lose two more tricks in diamonds. In either of these cases South would lose four tricks and with them his contract.

MANUFACTURES TRAVELS BY AIR

Mr. Sydney J. van den Bergh, Manager of the Unilever Company, started on January 22, last, by K.L.M. to the Netherlands. He is in order to assist in the opening of the new manufacturing plant of his company at Batavia.

SHAPING OF FOREIGN POLICIES

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abroad, where he was considered to be the actual originator of the policy of Ententes, and—in German eyes—the cunning Machiavel who plotted the encirclement of Germany.

I think it was Mr. Balfour who, after the King's death, drew up a statement formally declaring that the British foreign policy throughout his reign was not the King's policy but that of the British Government, and that the King's foreign visits had done no more than smooth the way for its development.

When Mr. Gladstone resigned and the Liberal leaders were squabbling over the succession, Harcourt strongly objected to both the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary being in the House of Lords, and sought to obtain a pledge that all the F.O. despatches should be shown to him as Leader in the House of Commons.

Gladstone's Reply

Mr. Gladstone was brought into the matter and was asked to state what the general usage had been in his time. To that he replied: "The general usage is that I (as Prime Minister) was made habitually privy in the time of Clarendon and Granville to the ideas as well as to the business of the F.O., and in consequence the business of that department, if and when introduced to the Cabinet, came before it with a joint support as a general rule."

The phrase "habitually privy" suggests a rather loose supervision on his part over the work of Clarendon and Granville. With that he was fully content, for foreign affairs were not Mr. Gladstone's principal interest in politics, nor was that the field in which he showed to most advantage.

Lord Salisbury, on the other hand, made foreign policy his principal care and held the Foreign Office as well as Premiership.

That is a task beyond any one man's strength, as Mr. Ramsay MacDonald found in 1924, but at least the latter had the justification that none of his Socialist colleagues had had any training for the work. What influenced Lord Salisbury, as he once explained in 1880, when the Cabinet had most surprisingly rejected his recommendations, was his vivid recollection of the years 1875-8, which had impressed deeply on his mind "the dangers of a composite policy."

Resignations

Different Prime Ministers react in different ways to opposition from their Foreign Secretaries. Heroic measures, such as demanding a resignation, are apparently no longer possible, though in 1851 Lord John Russell dismissed Palmerston from the Foreign Office almost as if he had been a footman. "No other course is left," he wrote, "than to submit the correspondence to the Queen and to ask Her Majesty to appoint a successor to you in the Foreign Office." Reviewing the episode 20 years later, Lord John confessed that his action was "hasty and precipitate."

"I ought to have seen Lord Palmerston, and I think I could without difficulty have induced him to make a proper submission to Her Majesty's wishes and agree to act in conformity with conditions to which he had already given his assent."

Whether, indeed, a Prime Minister possesses the power of requiring the resignation of a Cabinet Minister is doubtful. Mr. Gladstone—according to Harcourt—was not sure. On the one and only occasion when he tried it the Minister refused point blank.

During the acute dissensions of 1875-8 on the question whether the British Government should press their protection of Turkey against Russia to the "ultimate point" the Queen more than once urged Disraeli to dismiss the two dissentient Ministers, Carnarvon and Derby.

Veils Of The Cabinet

Disraeli, though as eager as the Queen to be relieved of their company, preferred to manoeuvre them into offering their resignations, which over-foreign policy were withdrawn.

Clearly a Foreign Secretary who has the Prime



Edward G. Robinson, Miriam Hopkins and Joel McCrea are in "Barbary Coast," a Samuel Goldwyn production which will be coming to the Colony soon.

Minister and virtually all his colleagues against him, not on some detail of policy but on the policy itself, ought not to stand on the order of his going.

That the Cabinet is the ultimate Court of Appeal is agreed. Prime Ministers have sometimes been overborne, even when supporting their Foreign Secretary. There was a striking example of that in July, 1920, when the British Cabinet voted down a joint Anglo-French project to eject the Turks from Constantinople, on which Lord Curzon and M. Berthelot had agreed. Ironically enough, this was one of the rare occasions on which the Prime Minister, Mr. Lloyd George, and Lord Curzon, his Foreign Secretary, found themselves in whole-hearted agreement.

A less proud patrician than Lord Curzon would have resigned a dozen times rather than brook the slights which Mr. Lloyd George heaped upon him by making crucial decisions of foreign policy over his head, without consulting the Foreign Office, and leaving him to hear the news from the Press.

Indeed, their personal relations were such that Lord Curzon had made up his mind that when he became Prime Minister—as he was sure he would—he would combine with that office the office of Foreign Secretary. The fates forbade.

Foreign Office's Part

Some people are asking to what extent foreign policy is shaped by the Foreign Office permanent staff. As that is a very delicate matter I will fall back once more on Lord Barend and recall another of his conversations with Mr. Gladstone.

"I was bringing under Mr. Gladstone's notice my views as to the separatist feeling which I thought to exist between the F. O. and other departments. I affirmed that whereas in all other departments the permanent staff were quite loyal subject to each Ministry in turn, the F. O. regarded itself as a law unto itself and went its own way, making in the hands of strong political chiefs."

"I asked Mr. G. to admit that he found the F. O. somewhat of an enclave and imperium in imperio, and that it avoided as much as possible not alone due recognition of party policy but the reasonable intervention of Parliament itself."

"When, however, I suggested that foreign affairs were not adequately placed before the Cabinet, he met me with a very lively contradiction. 'He told me that there never was a Cabinet meeting in his experience at which foreign affairs were not fully and frankly and genuinely set forth and discussed.'"

Months Are Short

On the first point, obviously very few persons are in a position to speak with authority, and their mouths are shut. A Permanent Under-Secretary of exceptional ability is quite likely to found a school and create a tradition. Foreign Secretaries come and go and are folded and put away like raiment. He remains. The Foreign Office may have its Holsteins—I leave it at that.

Mr. Gladstone's other assertion that foreign affairs were always fully and genuinely discussed at Cabinet meetings in his time is exceptionally interesting in view of the frequent complaints this century that really crucial questions of foreign policy are withdrawn from the Cabinet rank and file and

kept within the close preserve of the Inner Cabinet.

Of Memory Of 1912

The crowning example of this occurred in connection with the Anglo-French military and naval conversations before the war. We are told that not until the early days of October, 1912, did the majority of the Asquith Cabinet discover that military conversations had been proceeding with France and Belgium for the previous five years.

They promptly insisted that the situation should be defined, and then took place that famous exchange of notes between Sir Edward Grey and M. Cambon, in which it was formally laid down that these discussions between military and naval experts did not constitute "an engagement that commits either Government to action in a contingency that has not yet arisen and may never arise."

That seems to have narcotised the fears of those Liberal Ministers who dreaded foreign entanglements and binding engagements. Yet in the same exchange of notes it was stipulated that if either Government had reason to fear an unprovoked attack by a third party it should immediately discuss with the other what common measures they should take to prevent aggression and preserve peace.

When Policies Clash

So Box and Cox were satisfied. Grey could say that England was still free and unfettered; Cambon could reply that she was bound in honour. But with the French fleet wholly withdrawn by arrangement from the Channel ports it is astounding that clever men like Lord Morley and Mr. Lloyd George did not know themselves caught. That comes of the habit of running two contrary foreign policies at the same time and pretending that they need not clash. Sooner or later they do.

Happy, but rare, the Cabinet which is of one mind on foreign policy and keeps its eye firmly on the single goal.

FORMER AIR MINISTER ON VISIT TO GERMANY

Berlin, To-day.—The former British Air Minister, the Marquess of Londonderry, who is now visiting Germany with his wife and daughter, was received by Chancellor Hitler on Wednesday.

At a dinner of the Anglo-German Society in honour of the Marquess and his family there were, among other prominent guests, also present: Duke Charles-Edward of Coburg and the Duke and Duchess of Brunswick—Trans-Ocean Service.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (945 K.C's.)

RELAY OF THE B.B.C. DANCE ORCHESTRA
"BOOKS WORTH READING"
12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.

12.30 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Bentley Press Bulletin, Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.

7-11 p.m.—"Seaside"—Eine Kleine Nachtmusik (Mozart).
7.15-8.30 p.m.—Welsh Songs.

Cymru Amnwy! (Dear Wales) (Roberts).
Pistol Y Llan (The Village Spring) (Roberts).

Leila Megane (Contralto).
En Iach I Ti Cwmi (Asian to dear Cambria) (Old Welsh Song).
Mentra Gwen (Old Welsh Song).

My Little Welsh Home ("Songs of the Welsh Mountains") (Williams).
Ar Hyd Y Nos (All through the Night).
Leila Megane.

7.30-7.45 p.m.—Riddle Peabody and his Raft.
1. Some of these days.
2. St. Louis Blues.
3. Blaise Away.

4. Many Happy Returns of the day.
7.50-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
"New Books worth reading" by D. E. A.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.
Closing Local Stock Quotations.
8.05-8.30 p.m.—George Scott Wood (Faint Harmonies).

"The Mills Brothers".
1. Vocal: Tiger Heart.
2. Accordion Solo: In a Little Gipsy Tent-Boom.

The Big Broadcast for 1936.
3. Vocal: Jungle Fever.
Sleepy Head.

4. Accordion Solo: Stars over Devon.
5. Vocal: Miss Otis Regrets.
Old fashioned love.

8.30-9 p.m.—A Relay from Davenport.
The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall.
9-9.30 p.m.—A Relay of the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Bentley).

9.30-9.45 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Pianoforte Recital by Lyla Gurevitch.

Programme:
1. Orgel Phantasia in G. Bach—Liszt.
2. Sonate Op. 31. Allegro vivace. Beethoven.

3. Walse Op. 39. Brahms.
9.45-10 p.m.—A Recital by Enrica Caruso (Tenor).
1. Agnus Dei (Bizet).
2. Strange Harmony ("Tosca") (Puccini).

3. M'Appari (Like a Dream) ("Marta") (Flotow).
4. La Donna e Mobile (Woman in Fiddle) (Verdi).
5. O Sole Mio (O Sun) (Capus).

10-10.30 p.m.—Big Band. A Relay from Davenport.
England v. France. An eye-witness account and a running commentary on the Ice Hockey match.elayed from the Empire Pool and Sports Arena, Wembley.

10.30-11 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.



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Sporting Page

BEST H.K. FOOTBALL CLUB TEAM OVER PERIOD OF 25 YEARS



Fua Rowlands, above, has been selected to represent the H. K. F. A. against the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation in the Governor's Cup match to-morrow.

ST. JOSEPH'S BIG TASK ON SUNDAY

MEETING STRONG NAVY SIDE

SINCLAIR INJURED

A very good game in the First Division should be witnessed at Causeway Bay on Sunday where the Saints are at home to the Navy. Both teams will be practically at full strength and a glut of goals is imminent.

The sailors are fielding one of the best sides turned out this season, with Reglar and Wolverson in the full-back division, and Nicholson, Bowers and Lobb as the halves. Clarkson, usually a sound half-back, is being rested this week.

The Navy attack is one of the best in local soccer and, providing all strike their true colours, they should walk through the opposition.

One Change
The Saints are making one change from last week, Sinclair, who is on the injured list, being rested while Hussain has been reinstated in the intermediate.
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SMALL UNITS FAVOURITES IMPRESSIVE

Medicals Trounced At Valley

KNIGHT SCORES TWICE

The Royal Army Medical Corps proved no match for the 9th Battery, Royal Artillery, in the Small Units Army Football League yesterday at the Valley and lost by four clear goals.

Knight, at centre forward for the Gunners, was in brilliant form and scored two goals, while Nash, on the right-wing, centred well and scored a fine goal.

Sparkes and Baker were a good right-wing pair and combined well, the former supplying Baker with neat through passes.
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EAST LANCS. SHOULD WIN ON SUNDAY

Meet Stonecutters In First Division

The East Lancashire Regiment, who experienced no difficulty last week in defeating the Club seniors in a friendly fixture, should win comfortably against Stonecutters, who are at the bottom of the League table and will probably remain so until the completion of the programme.

The East Lancs supplied the Interport team with a fine full-back in Swain, and with Lawton in the pivotal position and Ball and Evans on the flanks. The Gunners forwards stand a very good chance of breaking through.

TEAM SELECTION IN GOVERNOR'S CUP

RODGER DROPPED AS GOALKEEPER

BLISS SHOULD HAVE SECURED PLACE

(By "Rover")

FOR the first time in many seasons the main League soccer programme will take place on a Sunday, while to-morrow will see the Second Round of the Governor's Cup competition, between the Hong Kong Football Association and the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

The selection of the Association team came as a great shock, for no less than three Interporters were left out of the team and in their places the second best were substituted. Rodger, ranked as the finest custodian in the Colony, is the reserve goalkeeper, while the same thing applies to Chris Pile as left-back. Then again Bliss, an Interport reserve half-back, has again been left out.

The Association forwards are probably the best available, although Ward, of St. Joseph's, would have fitted in much better with Gosano than Rose, of the Navy.

Federation's Leader

The Federation team is, their best possible combination with the exception of Tam Kong-pak, who is under suspension. Lee Wai-tong has been selected, but it is extremely doubtful whether he will play in view of his recent illness.

If the Chinese Federation win this game (they won the first by 4 goals to 1) they will have won the Governor's Cup for the first time since its presentation.

The following are Saturday's teams:—

H.K.F.A.—Rowlands (Fusiliers); Swain (East Lancs.) and Wolverson (Navy) (Captain); North (Police); Bell (Navy); B. Gosano (Recreio); Rose (Navy); D. Leonard (St. Joseph's); Talbot (Fusiliers) and Bickford (Club).

Reserves:—Rodger (Club), Pile (Police), Bliss (Kowloon), Campbell (Rifles), Elliot (Club) and Ridings (East Lancs.).
Chinese Federation:—Wong Wing (South China); Lee Tin-sang (South China) and Mak Sui-hon (Athletic); Lai Kwok-chiu (Athletic); Leung Wing-chiu (South China) and Lee Kwok-wai (South China); Tao Kwai-shing (South China); Fung King-cheong (South China); Lee Wai-tong (South China); Chenk Shek-kam (South China "B") and Chang Kwai-liang (South China).

R.A.S.C. NO MATCH FOR 24TH BTY. R.A.

Small Units Soccer At The Valley

Though outplayed throughout most of the game, the Royal Army Service Corps put up a very good fight against the 24th Battery, Royal Artillery, in their Small Units Army League encounter and were beaten by three clear goals.

Ferney, Jennings and Muir were a hard working half-back line and bore the brunt of the Artillery attack.

Halliday opened the scoring for the Battery while Findlay increased the lead just before the interval.

A free kick by Whitters was neatly turned into the net by Rodgers just before time.

R.A.S.C.—King, Blissett and Foreman, Ferney, Jennings and Muir; Woodman, Browning, Richards, Hayter and Key.

24th Battery R.A.—Carter, Freeman and Littlemore, Jones, Forryth and Whitters, 1 year; Coyle, Findlay, Halliday and Rodgers.

SMALL JUNIOR SOCCER CARD FOR WEEK-END

East Lancs. Should Retain Lead

EASTERN'S CHANCES AGAINST NAVY

The outstanding game in the Second Division programme this week-end will be the encounter between Eastern and the Navy on Sunday.

The Navy, who are still in the running for the junior championship, have made no changes; and their team will remain unchanged with Spencer and Wride in their present form. Eastern's defence, in spite of excellent play by Ng King Kay, will be fully tested.

Eastern do not seem to be able to settle down early in the game but in the last few games they have fought back splendidly and with Cheng Shui-hon and Soong Ling in the forward line fireworks are expected.

Fusiliers Should Win

The Fusiliers should not encounter much difficulty from the Radio, though they would do well not to take things too easily. O. M. Omar may play in the forward line this week, and as he is still as fast as ever, will be dangerous.

The East Lancs. should maintain their unbeaten record in the Second Division at the expense of South China, who are not playing the same kind of football as at the beginning of the season. Tsang, their goalkeeper, is very shaky at times, especially when hard pressed, while Yeung Chi-cheng is the only player among the forwards who will attempt a long shot.

Singleton Heads League Marksmen

The following is a complete list of goal-scorers in the First, Second and Third Divisions of the local Soccer League with a qualifying figure of six goals:

FIRST DIVISION	
Higgins (Lincolns)	14
Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A")	14
Johnson (Police)	12
Elliot (Club)	12
Stanford (East Lancs)	12
Stevens (Police)	12
Moore (Police)	12
Bullman (Fusiliers)	12
Fung King-cheong (S. China "A")	12
Ip Pak-wa (S. China "A")	12
Baldry (Lincolns)	12
D. Kwan (Kowloon)	12
Billy (Lincolns)	12
Reese (Lincolns)	12
24th Battery R.A.—Carter, Freeman and Littlemore, Jones, Forryth and Whitters, 1 year; Coyle, Findlay, Halliday and Rodgers.	



Leung In-chun, above, is the South China "B" right-back, is on the injured list and will not be appearing against the Rifles in their return Senior Division game next Sunday.

ROVER'S FORECAST

The following is the forecast for the week-end fixtures, giving the favoured team in capital letters:—

TO-MORROW	
GOVERNOR'S CUP (Second Round)	
CHINESE	FUSILIERS v Football Asso. (Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
SECOND DIVISION	
FUSILIERS v Radio (Sookmoo, 2.45 p.m.)	
RECREIO v ATHLETIC (Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)	
KOWLOON v CLUB (Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)	
ENGINEERS v University (Military, H. V. 4.15 p.m.)	
SUNDAY	
FIRST DIVISION	
POLICE v Athletic (Kowloon 4.15 p.m.)	
S. CHINA "A" v Lyemmun (R.A.) (Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)	
St. Joseph's v NAVY (Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)	
Stonecutters (R.A.) v EAST LANCS. (Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)	
SECOND DIVISION	
NAVY v EASTERN (Causeway Bay, 4.15 p.m.)	
EAST LANCS. v South China (Sookmoo, 2.45 p.m.)	

DISAPPOINTING SHIELD DRAWS

S. CHINA "A" AND "B" TO CLASH

GOOD JUNIOR PROGRAMME

Much disappointment has been caused as a result of the draws for the Senior and Junior soccer Shields, as both South China "A" and "B" instead of encountering either the Police or the Club, meet each other in the Semi-Final Round, while the same applies to the latter two teams.

On their present form, South China "A" and the Police are likely finalists, and the ultimate winners look very much like the former team.

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MEDWAY BEAT DORSETSHIRE IN FOOTBALL MATCH

In the Third Division of the China Fleet Football League, H.M.S. Medway beat H.M.S. Dorsetshire by 4 goals to 1 at Happy Valley yesterday. Boreham (2) Shakespeare and Lear scored for the Medway, while Elliot replied for the Dorsetshire.

GEORGE RODGER AS GOALKEEPER

POTE-HUNT AND HOWE INCLUDED

ELEVEN THAT WOULD MAKE RINGS ROUND ANY TEAM TO-DAY

(By "Unomee")

THE other evening, while four loyal and enthusiastic supporters of the Hong Kong Football Club (Soccer Section) were discussing the ups and downs of their Club, there cropped up the inevitable comparisons between the present Club players and their predecessors. As the youngest of these four has followed the fortunes of the Hong Kong Football Club since 1910 one can well imagine the number of soccer stalwarts dissected by these critics.

All four agreed that while the forward line now doing duty is one of the best the Club has had at any one time, the present half and full-backs are not up to the usual standard.

The four wisecracks then proceeded to select from Club players of the past quarter of a century what they considered the best possible team, the idea being that each player was again at his football best.

For goal three names were put forward: George Rodger, Jack Rodger and G. G. Edwards. As Jack Rodger was required elsewhere in this team of all the talents, and as Edwards played comparatively few games for the Club, George Rodger was chosen.

TWO EXCITING SENIOR GAMES FOR SUNDAY

S. China "A" Should Beat Lyemmun

POLICE SHOULD BEAT THE ATHLETIC

The Police will entertain the Athletic in the Senior Division on Sunday on the Kowloon Football Club ground, where a fast game, with the odds in favour of the former, is anticipated.

The Police, by virtue of their consistently good form, should win, but the Athletic have shown tremendous improvement within the last two months and the guardians of law and order will have to be at their best to stave off defeat.

Another First Division game on Sunday which should provide some good soccer is that between the League champions, South China "A," and Lyemmun. The latter having improved a great deal recently.

Lee Doubtful Starter

Lee Wai-tong is a very doubtful starter because of his recent illness, while gaps must be filled at left-back and in the forward line.

Lyemmun, unlike their colleagues, Stonecutters, have at last emerged from the rut into which they fell at the beginning of the season and are just as dangerous today as the Club or the Athletic. However, the leaders are strong enough at present to record a win.



Bdr. Hall, above, Stonecutters' former half-back and Army Rugby forward, has left the Colony for Gibraltar and will be missed by both sections.

THE RIFLES MAY DEFEAT S. CHINA "B"

Chinese Halves Must Not Fail

LEUNG IN CHAN AND LEE KAM INJURED

A thrilling return game in the First Division will take place at Sookmoo next Sunday afternoon, when the Royal Ulster Rifles entertain South China "B". They shared two goals last Saturday in their initial meeting.

The Rifles gave a brilliant display last week and were decidedly unlucky not to secure both points as they held a decided advantage over the Chinese, while territorially the game was theirs by a large margin.

Their passing and well executed movements, which were performed at a lightning-like pace, threw the Chinese team out of gear on that occasion, and they have only to repeat this display next Sunday to secure their first win and inflict on South China "B" their first defeat of the season.
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SIGNALS WIN IN SMALL UNITS SOCCER LEAGUE

Austin Plays Much Improved Game

ORDNANCE CORPS MISS DUFFIELD

In spite of several of their best players being absent—apparently resting for their hockey game against Macao on Sunday—the Royal Corps of Signals were able to beat the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by the odd goal in five in their Small Units Army Football League match at Happy Valley yesterday.

Sinclair was absent from the Signals' team, while Duffield, who is in camp, could not play for the Ordnance. Attoe, a newcomer, played a useful game at centre-forward until forced to leave the field in the second half owing to a kick on the head.
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53 RUNS IN 15 MINUTES

Lt. Prowse In Merry Mood

A chanceless innings of 53 runs retired by Lieut. Prowse, scored in 15 minutes and including seven boundaries and two sixes, enabled H.M.S. Medway to beat H.M.S. Dorsetshire by 84 runs in a friendly cricket match at the Valley yesterday.

H.M.S. Medway—148 (Lieut. Prowse 53 retired, Mainwaring 27, Ambrose 25 retired and White 4 for 15).

H.M.S. Dorsetshire—64 (Cutter 20 not out, Dale 5 for 14, Smith 2 for 11 and Saunders 4 for 17).

TENNIS AT THE CIVIL SERVICE

Sealed Handicaps Tournament

The Civil Service Cricket Club has had some very popular tennis tournaments during the present winter season, and on the last occasion, January 19, silver spoons were awarded to Messdames Fowles and Pengelly and Messrs. Warr and Thorpe.

On Sunday, 16th instant, another will be held, commencing at 2.30 p.m., and several entries have already been received. Ten courts will be available and entries will be limited to "lucky" players. A feature of this tournament will be sealed handicaps.

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Trade Restrictions

A study of the statistics of world prices during 1935 reveals that of a list of 100 staple articles of trade there has been a rise in price in about 70 varying from 50 per cent. to 2 per cent., and that of the other 30, 10 remained unchanged and 20 showed a small decline. This is hailed as a good omen by all the commentators, because any rise is supposed to encourage production and enterprise, but there is a great deal of confusion in the attempts to explain causes and results. It is particularly noticeable that all our contemporary writers on these subjects are inclined to look at graphs and indices and calculations from the point of view of the seller, and not of the buyer. Is it not possible that the rise noted is due to the fact that if the public had to spend less in buying goods that have been at a low price they had more money to buy something else? It would be very interesting to see a review of trade conditions which would leave out prices and totals of money value altogether in order to give us a clear idea of quantities and qualities consumed. The survey published by the Economy Branch of the League indicates that much of the bad trade we have been complaining of really amounts to an increase in the number of countries competitively meeting their own requirements, with a consequent reduction of the output of the locally specialised industries and a falling off in the transport required and the international banking business.

A year or two ago we heard a great deal about "rationalisation," which in practice amounted to something like the "syndicalism" of Sorel—a very popular scheme in France 30 years ago, much more common as a project than as a realised organisation. It meant practically a conspiracy of all the people engaged in one trade against the rest of the community. Regular wages and regular profits were to be secured by regulated prices at the cost of the general public. The objections were that if it had been generally adopted by all trades the public would be very well able to protect itself by syndicalising the sources of supply, and the only result would have been to substitute mass bargaining for individual bargaining. The second weak point was that like many other panaceas it required a self-sufficient community, for each nation was unable to control what the others did or refused to do.

The United States of America, in the downright manner customary with that nation of "go-getters," put many of these half-forgotten schemes to the test in the "New Deal" camouflaged under new names. No large section of humanity is likely to find conditions more favourable. The last fortnight has seen practically the whole of the New Deal scrapped, but in a way that would not be likely to occur anywhere else, by the legal decisions of a Court whose duty it is to apply the ancient and venerated constitution to entirely different modern conditions. The confusion created by the fact that all the decisions except that which dealt with the Gold Clause have been unfavourable to the Administration is shown by the fact that the Budget recently introduced will hardly at all resemble

EXPLANATION OF YESTERDAY'S CARTOON

The President Maker

MATTHEW Lyon (1750-1822) founder of Fair Haven, Vermont, described as a "rough, red-headed, fire-eating Irishman," was born in County Wicklow, Ireland, and received his passage to America in exchange for two young bulls. Working as a labourer he married the daughter of his boss, the Governor of the State of Vermont.

While in jail for libel, he was elected to the U.S. Congress in 1793. He had the extraordinary distinction of having been elected Congressman from three different States, Vermont, Kentucky, Arkansas.

His was the decisive single vote which elected Jefferson President of the United States over Aaron Burr. In the popular election of 1801, Jefferson and Burr had received 73 electoral votes each. No candidate having polled a majority, the election was referred to the House of Representatives, where after 7 days of balloting, Colonel Lyon, on the 36th ballot, cast his vote and that of Vermont in favour of Jefferson, making the latter President of the United States by a majority of one state in a total of sixteen.

OPERA SEASON IN LONDON

German Conductor To Participate

London, To-day.
Professor Hans Knappertsbusch, Bavarian General Director of Music, will conduct at the Grand Opera season in the Spring of 1936 in London. "Parsifal," "Tristan and Isolde," "The Mastersingers," "The Ring" and "Der Rosenkavalier" will be performed. Amongst other German singers, Munich's well-known bass, Herr Ludwig Weber, has been engaged.—Trans-Ocean Service

BAD WEATHER AT SIAN

Sian, To-day.—A terrible wind-storm, accompanied by occasional snow-falls, occurred here at 2 o'clock yesterday morning. People had the first taste of such bad weather since last year.—Central News Agency.

the financial facts of the year, but from the outsider's angle of vision the important point is that as the proposed scheme of regulation of industry was drafted under conditions of harassing crisis and haste, and was upset not by business developments or economic second thoughts but by lawyers, it will always be possible for the theorists to say that the experiment never had a chance, and that its failure is no guide for others.

Much the same argument might be used about the "Totalitarianism" of Italy and Germany. War in the case of Italy, and rearmament in the case of Germany, have prevented any gains under State regulation from being applied to their proper use of raising the standard of living at home and maintaining credit abroad. There is not so much difficulty in reckoning up the results in these countries as in Russia, and there would be unanimity among any impartial students that whereas the centralised system may have been effective for the purposes of war or preparation for war, that has only been secured by severe sacrifices by the mass of the people and particularly the poor.

International regulation by cartels and agreements has also failed to do as much as was expected. The price of rubber was lifted out of the ruinous range of non-economic rates, but it refuses to go up to any of the rates prophesied. Cotton restriction in the States has led to large plantings in Argentina, the Sudan, and elsewhere. The iron and steel cartel has been a godsend to the north of England, but only at the cost of making the price of constructional steel a handicap to the housing schemes. The general conclusion seems to be that sudden developments do more harm than good.

Here There and Everywhere

TITLE FROM REVOLUTIONS

While military titles have been re-introduced in the Soviet army, Nazi police officers have been instructed to address one another as kamerad.

Revolutions, of whatever nature, nearly always result in a new form of address being instituted. Under Cromwell's rule the Elect—the then equivalent of the Bolshevik, Nazi, or Fascist party—were expected to address one another as brother; after the French Revolution every good sansculotte was a citizen; and in Russia, *Tovarich* signifies a true-blue proletarian.

It began by being a term of abuse, and then, when the Bolsheviks got into power, became a coveted title, entitling the holder to rations and immunity from class persecution. Just before the October Revolution the Menshevik members of the Provisional Government used to try to placate turbulent audiences by using *Tovarich*. This sop to proletarian convention was a failure. The speakers were greeted with angry shouts of: "We're not your comrades."

Your Daily Smile!

FOU DE BLOOD
"Hab' yo' got any medicine dat will purify de blood?"
"Yes, we keep this sarsaparilla, at one dollar a bottle. It purifies the blood and clears the complexion."
"Well, boss, hasn't yo' got suffin' fo' about 50 cents, less fo' de blood?"
"I don't keer about de complexion."

A FACT
No man holds a principle unless it is the principal thing he holds.

DRIVING THE GREEN
(With Apologies to Tennyson)
Head down and follow through,
And one sweet shot for me;
And may there be no topping of the ball.

When I drive off the tee,
But such a low, true-aimed and lusty smack!
(Of visioned in my dream)
As cleaves the fairway till it comes to rest
Upon the green.
Firm grip, no upward look—
Now let me do my stuff:
And may there be no nasty slice or hook
To land me in the rough.
But fully shall my heart be satisfied
If, ere life's sands are run,
My ravished ears once catch my caddy's cry,
"A-hole in one."

SHAPING OF FOREIGN POLICIES

CONSTITUTIONAL FORMS IN ENGLAND

MONARCH'S INFLUENCE ON TRENDS IN CABINET

(By J. B. Firth)

WHO is responsible for the foreign policy of Great Britain? That question fairly arises out of the recent most unfortunate episode which resulted in the resignation of Sir Samuel Hoare. The answer is not simple. Those who know most say least.

The Foreign Secretary is in rather a different position from other Secretaries of State, for the Foreign Office has a special status of its own among the Departments. Theoretically the differences are difficult to define sharply. Practically they vary in degree according to the personality of the Foreign Secretary and what he makes of his office.

Yet they depend no less upon the personality of the Prime Minister, who bears a special and particular responsibility in respect to foreign affairs.

Constant Supervision
The Prime Minister is expected to exercise a constant supervision over policy and to be thoroughly cognisant of the contents of all important despatches—especially when the machine has begun to creak and things are growing unpleasant in any quarter.

Moreover, a still more important influence cannot wholly be left out of the reckoning—the influence of the Crown upon the course of foreign policy. What that is to-day it would be idle and presumptuous to speculate, for no data are available. In Queen Victoria's time it was immense and it was continually exercised.

Sir William Harcourt, writing to John Morley 40 years ago in reference to his chapter on the Cabinet system in his "Life" of Walpole, made the following statement:

"There is one thing you ought to bring out more clearly, and that is the right of the Sovereign to demand the opinion of the Cabinet as a court of appeal against the Prime Minister or any other

Minister in his general or departmental action. As a general rule, the foreign despatches are settled between the P.M. and the Foreign Secretary and are submitted to the Queen, but if she dissents she has the practical right to demand the opinion of the Cabinet on the despatch."

Extensively Used
This power was extensively used in the years 1859-61, by Albert acting through the Queen, in foreign affairs, and I remember Sir George C. Lewis telling me at the time when almost weekly Cabinets were called at the instance of the Queen, that the despatches were almost invariably modified.

We had several instances in the 1880 Government, when the Queen especially required that the Cabinet should be consulted as distinguished from the P.M. and the Foreign Secretary upon views stated by herself. Of course, the decision of the Cabinet in such a case is final.

That is very categorical, and Harcourt was a great constitutional authority. Lord Barend, an intimate friend of Mr. Gladstone, once tried to draw him on "the function of the Sovereign" in foreign affairs. Mr. Gladstone, however, refused to be drawn, and Barend added: "I do not think he had anything but good to say of the Queen's relations to F.O. affairs." But the veteran statesman was quick to repudiate Barend's suggestion that the Prince of Wales (King Edward VII.) might prove "rather troublesome" later on because he prided himself on his "quick appreciation of men," and his "power to be useful in foreign relations."

High Opinion
On the contrary Mr. Gladstone expressed his high opinion of the Prince's tact and abilities.

The close interest which King Edward took in foreign affairs, and the great role he played when he came to the Throne are well known. But they were much misunderstood (Continued on Page 3)

"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



KING'S

ALHAMBRA

● OPENING TO-MORROW ●



Short Shots

"Mutiny on the Bounty" cost M.G.M. about \$2,000,000, but it looks like being the money-maker of the year.

At last Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy, under the direction of "Woody" van Dyke, have finished "Rose Marie." They will both sing "The Indian Love Call."

Claudette Colbert (Mrs. Joel Pressman) is — at present — one of the happiest newly-weds in the film colony. Ex-husband Norman Foster and new wife Sally Blane are in the same seventh heaven of bliss.

It is a big surprise to most people to know that the lovely singing-supposedly of Eleanor Powell — in "Broadway Melody" was done by a pretty girl named Margie Lane, who sings every night in the Hollywood Trocadero Cafe.

Clark Gable and Jeanette MacDonald will shortly start work on "San Francisco," their first starring vehicle together.

The Gary Coopers (Sandra Shaw) still seem ideally happy after two years of married life.

Shirley Ross will shortly marry Henry Fonda, but Myrna Loy cannot yet marry Arthur Hornblow, as his present wife won't seek a divorce. Also the same with the present Mrs. George Raft, so George can't marry the rich girl Virginia Pine. Jeanette MacDonald is just as devoted as ever to her Manager Bob Ritchie.

Edna May Oliver is trying to gain ten pounds in order to play the Nurse in "Romeo and Juliet."

In Shirley Temple's next picture you will hear her sing a song in no less than five languages: English, Russian, French, German and Hawaiian. Truly the "Miracle-child."

Joan Crawford is now taking tap-dance lessons from Bill Robinson, and



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the "Miracle-child" Shirley Temple, also has hers daily.

Ginger Rogers is now a blonde — and is going to remain so. Jean Harlow has had a clause inserted in her new contract that she will not be called upon to be a platinum blonde ever again. She prefers herself as a brunette.

At Christmas time the sales of a book concerning adorable Shirley Temple's life had reached over 5,000,000. It is written expressly for children's use. The lovely dolls also bring in a few hundreds in royalties per week to the Temple family now, and her salary at Twentieth-Century-Fox is \$5,000 per week. She should be in receipt of twice that amount, as she is proved to be the biggest box-office attraction in the world today — which means millions per picture to the studio.

There was absolutely no foundation for the rumour about Elizabeth Allan and marriage to Clark Gable. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. O'Brien are now taking their second honeymoon trip, and there are no signs of a divorce there.

Al Jolson has bought the lovely home of the Bing Crosbys at Toluna Lake for his mother-in-law, Mrs. Keeler. There seems truth in the talk about the Bing Crosbys separating, despite the three baby boys and their seeming happiness.

Mary Brian and Buddy Rogers are acting together in a British film, say they will marry any day now. That squashes that persistent talk that Mary Pickford contemplated marrying Buddy. There seems no doubt that Joan Blondell and Dick Powell will marry when his contract permits, and her director is absolute. — DIANE

ADORABLE SHIRLEY TEMPLE IN HER GREATEST ROLE WHOLE GAMUT OF EMOTIONS SHOWN IN "THE LITTLEST REBEL"

ANN HARDING AND GARY COOPER WILL CHARM
IN IDYLIC FANTASY "PETER IBBETSON"

By Diane

SHIRLEY Temple, miracle-child, winner of all hearts, rated No. 1 box-office attraction the world over, acclaimed as the outstanding sensation of the cinema, the idol of young and old alike, Shirley of the golden locks, who was acknowledged by the famous writer Irvin Cobb to be "the most amazing bundle of loveliness ever sent to brighten and cheer a weary world," now comes to us in "The Littlest Rebel," a stirring picture of the war-torn South, in what I consider her greatest to date. I recall a little girl named Juliette Shelby playing this on the stage many many years ago, who afterwards became the famous Mary Miles Minter.

In this talking version Shirley has never given a more talented and entertaining performance and lifts the picture to heights that the stage version could never have attained. We all lovingly remember a pretty little four-year-old girl in "Stand up and Cheer," saying to Warner Baxter "How's chances?", said with that devastating smile that has brought sunshine to millions of weary hearts. Is it that sunny smile that is the secret of her greatness? I cannot think of anyone on stage or screen who can so easily reduce an audience to pulp in her dimpled hands. When she cries, you cry. When she smiles you find yourself smiling in the darkness. There are no words to express the secret of her genius. Admitted her diction is perfection. Her dancing? Well, she can more than hold her own with her teacher, the one and only Bill Robinson, top-notch tap-dancer. Sing? Well, wait till you hear her soothe her tired daddy with "Believe me, if all those endearing young charms" and cheer the two prisoners with "Polly Wolly Doodle." Charming? Wait till you see her eat an apple with Mr. President Lincoln. Her smile is ravishing, enchanting, yet in a moment she can change your smiles to tears.

Director David Butler is to be commended for his expert handling of his precious little star, and allows her to run the full gamut of emotions. She hardly leaves the screen—she is the whole show. Not that her support is not worthy of her. They are—all of them. John Boles, Jack Holt, Karen Morley, Guinn "Willie" Best and Frank McGlynn Sr.; but, as in "The Little Colonel," it is Bill Robinson who shares in the honours with the darling of the screen.

To my mind Shirley Temple is definitely unbeatable. I have seen dozens of child actresses come—and go—on stage and screen, but she has a God-given gift that comes but once in a century. So far, thanks to her wonderful mother, her great fame, in a measure, is held from her; so she blissfully remains unspoiled, natural and adorable. Nine big pictures now and each one better, if possible, than the other. See this picture more than once to appreciate thoroughly this amazing child's genius. Darryl Zanuck, the power behind the throne at Twentieth-Century-Fox, considers her their greatest asset, and he personally supervises all her pictures. From to-morrow to Monday next this beautiful picture will be showing at both the King's and the Alhambra. Don't miss it.

Queen's Attractions
On Saturday, February 15, this popular theatre will show the Paramount pictures of the funeral of the late beloved King George will run, with the star picture, will run with the star picture, "So Red the Rose," a poignant drama of the Civil War, starring Margaret Sullivan. I hear that this lovely actress contributes her best screen work, and that King Victor's direction makes this one of the really outstanding pictures of the year.

I need not say that every man, woman and child will be at this theatre during the showing of this marvellous new reel, which comes

to us thus early only through the facilities of the air mail (Queen's).

"Mutiny On The Bounty"

On February 15 the King's and Alhambra will show what will be the most successful picture of its kind ever produced. M.G.M., under the expert supervision of that genius Irving Thalberg, aided by Director Frank Lloyd and an absolutely perfect cast, make "Mutiny on the Bounty" a picture you will never forget.

I do not, personally, think Charles Laughton gives any better performance than his co-stars Clark Gable and Franchot Tone. I will not talk on this outstanding film this week, but can assure you that its like won't come again for many a day. For perfect characterisations this epic of the sea is magnificently superior to all others that have gone before it, for not only is it extraordinary from a photographic point of view, but it is a striking revelation of the life in the British Navy that made it the great thing it is to-day.

Everyone will want to see it, everyone will see it. (King's and Alhambra).

Majestic
"Diamond Jim" is a colourful biographical drama, extremely entertaining as a character-study of



Lovely Claire Trevor is the "Navy Wife" of the new Fox production, which will be screened at the Alhambra Theatre on Wednesday.

a famous personage who lived in New York in the "Gay Nineties." Edward Arnold's performance is good enough to grip anybody's imagination, and he is alone worth seeing. A large cast help in the success; Jean Arthur, Binnie Barnes, Eric Blaire, Charles Sellon, Hugh O'Connell, Cesar Romero, George Sidney and many more.

This is followed by that really lovely world-favourite Joan Crawford in "I Live My Life." Here is a story that gives her an opportunity to use the dramatic talent which has been hidden, more or less, in the light assignments with Montgomery and Gable. Joan is at her best; and when you see her new leading man, Brian Aherne, in his best screen part to date, you will do what the rest of the world has done—lose your heart to the handsome hero. This delightful actor, with a deft gift for comedy, handles the heroine as she should be handled. Grand work from supporting cast, sumptuous mountings, gorgeous gowns, Joan, a vision of beauty, grand story plus Grade A acting. To be seen again and again.

Then come Clive Brook and another of the foreign importations, Tutta Rolf, in "Dressed to Thrill." Robert Barrett gives the best acting, but the dresser are lovely and I have no doubt there are lots of "fans" still loyal to Mr. Brook (Majestic).

PRODUCED with exceptional good taste, the Paramount picture "Peter Ibbetson" has charm and novelty, and is a beautiful example of the technical excellence which the screen can attain. Briefly, the story (by George du Maurier of "Trilby" fame) tells of the love of a boy and girl, separated in childhood and reunited years later, just long enough to discover that their devotion to each other is all that each has lived for. After their meeting they never see each other again, but their love brings them together in their dreams until death carries them away together.

The idyllic romance is perfectly portrayed by Ann Harding and Gary Cooper in the stellar roles. Miss Harding finds great opportunities for the expression of her spirituality, while Gary Cooper's acting is remarkable for its restraint. Here are two thoroughly sincere performances, but they do not overshadow the excellence of the rest of the cast, John Halliday, Ida Lupino, Douglas Dumbrille and the two adorable children Virginia Weidler and Dickie Moore.

Henry Hathaway, the director who gave us "Bengal Lancer", tells the story charmingly and effectively and inspires the actors to give the sensitive performances required in this romantic fantasy, bordering on the ethereal. Be prepared for tears, because Miss Harding and Mr. Cooper do all they can to infuse conviction into their characters, succeeding admirably. Not to be missed. (Queen's).

"He Was Her Man"

Joan Blondell and James Cagney teamed again in triumph. Here is *Drama*—with a capital "D". Cagney takes the part of an ex-safer-cracker, who is trying to escape from the gang he has double-crossed, while the little woman of the streets (perfectly portrayed by Joan Blondell) is so infatuated with him that she refuses the honest love of another man. I don't like to spoil the story by telling you, but the end is thrilling, with a strange twist.

Victor Jory, Sarah Padden, Frank Craven, Russell Hopton, Harold Huber, John Qualen, Ralph Harolds and others are in support. We have not seen Joan Blondell in drama for quite a while, and you will agree that she is as strong in emotional roles as she is in light comedy, while Jimmy Cagney, as the unscrupulous scoundrel, is at his dramatic best. The fine cast help the two stars to make this an outstanding picture of its type. (Queen's).

Oriental

"She" is lavishly produced by R.K.O., with Mrs. Melvyn Douglas (Helen Gahagan) contributing the only acting in the film. Others in the cast include hundreds of extras in addition to Randolph Scott, Helen Mack and Nigel Bruce.

"The Nit Wits," with the popular favourites Wheeler and Woolsey, follows. They are mixed in a murder mystery, which sobers them up a little, but does not stop a continual flow of really funny gags. Betty Grable, Fred Keating, Evelyn Brent, Erik Rhodes and others make this one of the best W. and W. comedies.

"I Am a Thief" is interesting, because of excellent portrayals in the leading roles by two grand people, Ricardo Cortez and Mary Astor. All due at the Oriental.

Star, Keweenaw
"Annapolis Farewell" is an interestingly-told story of life among the Cadets at the U.S. Naval Academy. Sir Guy Standing is featured, but it is a young unknown actor, John Howard, whom you will come away talking about. This young man is now "going places" and is the lead in the new Hecht-MacArthur picture "Soak the Rich." Richard Cromwell and Tom Brown help Sir Guy and Howard in making the film worthwhile.

(Continued on Page 12)

QUEEN

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW

Jimmy and Joan together again in their first dramatic hit in two years—and, take it from us, it is worth waiting for!

"He Was Her Man"

with
JAMES CAGNEY
JOAN BLONDELL

FROM SUNDAY

GARY COOPER
ANN HARDING

in Paramount's Adaptation of
George Du Maurier's Classic

"Peter Ibbetson"

The Love Story That Will
Never Die of a Love That
Never Died!



James Cagney and Joan Blondell as they appear in "He Was Her Man" a Warner Bros. production now being screened at the Queen's Theatre.



Shirley Temple, who heads an all-star cast in the latest Fox Production, "The Littlest Rebel," sings new songs and does new dances. This picture will be shown at the King's Theatre to-morrow.



Mirha Hopkins is in the Samuel Goldwyn production, "Barbery Court," which will be shown here soon.

KARLSRUHE ARRIVES

First German Visit Since 1914

EDUCATIONAL VOYAGE FOR 120 NAVAL CADETS

This morning at 10 o'clock there arrived in the harbour of Hong Kong the German cruiser Karlsruhe, paying the first visit to the Colony of any German warship since 1914—22 years ago.

Salutes Fired

On her arrival in port the Karlsruhe fired a salute of 21 guns, which was returned by the Gun Club Hill battery. The visiting cruiser then fired a salute of 11 guns for the Commodore, this being returned by H.M.S. Tamar.

A salute of seven guns was then fired by the Karlsruhe for the German Consul here.

Shortly after her arrival, the German Consul, Herr E. Gippert, accompanied by Mr. M. Hess, went on board the cruiser to pay his official call on the Commander-in-Chief of the "reception committee" of the local German community.

Official Calls

Accompanied by the German Consul, Capt. Siemens, the commander of the Karlsruhe, paid an official call on His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, at 10.50 this morning, and subsequently on Commodore C. G. Sedgwick.

At 11.50 a.m. His Excellency the Governor returned the call on board the Karlsruhe, followed by Commodore Sedgwick.

Calls on His Excellency the G.O.C., Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, will be exchanged to-morrow morning.

Educational Voyage

The local "reception committee" were received on board by Commander (Korvetten-Kapitän) Guenther, who conducted them to the officers' mess, where miniature German and British flags were displayed upon the tables, including replicas of the new German naval ensign, only some three months old, which was being flown by the cruiser. Here the hospitality of the ship was extended to the visitors, while Commander Guenther explained the reasons of the cruise and gave a brief account of the ship's itinerary.

The cruise was undertaken, he said, for a variety of reasons: to show the flag in the ports of the world, to keep in touch with German nationals in foreign countries and bring them greetings from their homeland, to show foreign countries something of what Germany was doing in the matter of reconstruction and rehabilitation, and to give the men on board experience of service under all climatic conditions. It was especially an educational voyage for the 120 naval cadets on board.

Commander Guenther, in reply to a question as to Germany's attitude to the present Italo-Abyssinian conflict, said that the itinerary of the cruise, as originally planned, would have taken them through the Mediterranean, but that the route had been altered and the ship sent round the Cape, as Germany, in the present state of tension, intended to preserve an attitude of strict neutrality and meant to avoid even the slightest excuse for rumours and suspicions.

Tradition Maintained

The party were then conducted over the ship and shown everything possible. It is interesting to note that the "tradition" of the Karlsruhe is maintained, by memorial plates of the cruisers Breslau and Goeben affixed to the after-turret, while the fore-turret bears the name of Admiral Souchen, the former Commander-in-Chief of the German Mediterranean fleet. The after-deck has been arranged both for social occasions and for training purposes for the personnel. It is here that the children's party will take place.

Details Of Vessel

The cruiser Karlsruhe, the third of this name in the German Navy, was launched on August 20, 1927, and began her service on November 6, 1929.

The vessel has a displacement of 6,000 tons, is 540 feet long, 60 feet broad, and has a draught of



Captain Siemens, commander of the German cruiser, Karlsruhe, which arrived in Hong Kong at 10 a.m. to-day.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Under the patronage of the Portuguese Consul General, there will be a Portuguese show to-morrow, at 9 p.m., at the Club de Recreio. All are welcome. The Committee of the "Caixa Escolar" will gratefully receive any contribution, on admittance to this Show, towards the education of poor boys, who are under the care of the institution.

Chan Ki was this morning fined \$20, in default three weeks' imprisonment by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for the theft of a spanner and a jack handle from private car No. 786, belonging to Mrs. A. W. Grimmit, and parked outside No. 228 Wan-chai Road.

In connection with the Diamond Jubilee of St. Joseph's College this year, an appeal has been issued for donations towards the jubilee sports meeting and a souvenir album which it is intended to publish.

Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, M.Sc., M.I.Mech.E., A.M.I.E.E. has kindly consented to give an address to the Hong Kong University Medical Society next Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. at the Union Assembly Room on the subject "Doctors and the Public." Tea will be served at 5.15 p.m. in the Union Tea Room. All interested are welcome.

21 feet. Her crew consists of Commander, 27 officers, chaplain, 151 non-commissioned officers, 310 ratings and about 100 midshipmen. Her armaments comprise nine 6-inch triple-tower guns, four 3-inch guns, and twelve torpedo superwater-triple tubes. The maximum speed of the vessel is 32 knots and her horsepower is 65,000.

In her capacity as a training-ship, the Karlsruhe has already made four voyages abroad, i.e. to Africa and South America in 1930, to North and South America in 1931/32, a trip round the world in 1933/34, and one round the Cape to North America in 1934/35. At present she is on an eight months' training-cruise.

Object Of Voyage

The main object of this voyage is, apart from the showing of the flag in foreign waters, the training of the crew, especially of the coming generation of officers, which consists of cadets in the deck, engine and executive departments, or aspirants of the Naval Constructional Department, who have already had six months' training before the commencement of the voyage. After the trip is over in June, 1936, they have to pass the examination by which they become officers.

The cruiser is in command of Captain Siemens; chief officer is Commander Rogge. Both were participants in the battle of Jutland.

The Karlsruhe left Kiel on October 21, 1935. Ports of call are Sta. Cruz de Tenerife, Sao Thome, Lobito Bay, Durban, Port Victoria, Batavia, Ho-Ilo, Hong Kong, Nagasaki, Yokohama, Dairen, Harbin, San Diego, Panama, Balboa, Saint Thomas and Ponce de Leon, (Spain).

ANGLO-GERMAN FELLOWSHIP

MEETING HELD IN BERLIN

LEADING PERSONALITIES PRESENT

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

The first meeting of the Anglo-German Fellowship in Berlin was held recently in the rooms of the Aero Club, and 30 visiting British members were present. The guests, who had come to the Continent expressly for the occasion, were headed by the President of the Society, Lord Mount Temple.

The aim of the Fellowship is to deepen the understanding between the two nations in economic and cultural respects. Among the leading Germans present were Herr Hess, Deputy Leader, Ambassador von Ribbentrop, Ambassador-at-Large, and the German Sports Leader, Herr von Tschammer-Osten.

On the day following the reception, General von Ribbentrop invited the guests to his home to partake of one of the now famous "One Dish" dinners. Subsequently the Reich Sports Grounds were inspected under the leadership of Herr von Tschammer-Osten, Trans-Ocean Service.

IMPERSONATION CHARGE

Youth's Alleged Pose As Police Officer

REMAINED FOR ENQUIRIES

Cheung Yung-ng, aged 20, was this morning remanded for 24 hours by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy for further enquiries when he was charged with posing as a police officer in Queen's Road West on Wednesday.

Detective Sergeant Baldwin said that about 12.30 on Wednesday, defendant went up to a Chinese who was about to pawn some clothing at a pawn shop and questioned him as to his right to the clothing. Pretending to be dissatisfied with the answers, he told the man that he had to make enquiries, and they both left the pawn shop.

In the street the defendant saw a district watchman and apparently frightened, called to him saying that he had just finished duty and wanted to give him this case.

Police Whistle Produced

The watchman as suspicious and questioned him, whereupon he said that he was constable No. C.104 and produced a police whistle on a chain and a chop, similar to those issued to the Police, but which was marked C504. Defendant was then taken to the Station, here he admitted he was not in the police force but had been in the Canton Police.

Though the chain was the same as those of the local police the whistle was a different make while the chop did not have "H.K.P." on it, as a genuine chop would have done.

MORE RAIDS ON TERRITORY

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EARLIER REPORTS

A message dated December 17 stated that it was learned from a most reliable source in Kalgan that the 60 Japanese troops who entered Kalgan the previous week were not remaining but were returning shortly to Dolonor. It was believed that their presence in Kalgan was in connection with Japanese demands, which were reliably stated to have been made to the Charhar authorities, that six hsten in eastern Charhar be turned over to Jehol for their inclusion in Manchukuo. The districts were Kuyuan, Paoshang, Changpei, Kangpao, Knotch and Shantung.

Two of the districts, Kuyuan and Paoshang, had already been occupied by Manchukuo troops, though Kuyuan city was still in Chinese hands.

The Chinese authorities at Kalgan were endeavouring to effect a compromise, retaining Changpei and Shantung and giving up the others.



Josephine Antoine, aged 21, of Boulder, Colorado, is the latest acquisition to the Metropolitan Opera, in the campaign of the new manager, Edward Johnson, to make opera more popular by providing casts with more "It." Miss Antoine is shown after her debut in Mignon, which won her the praise of the critics.

To-day's Short Story

The Confession

By Bessie Millard

WELL, here's to the next world," said Denis Baker, lifting his glass and draining it right off. "That's good!" he said, then, with a charming smile as he replaced his glass, "Have one, Padre?" he inquired.

"Won't you—sure? They do you well here you know, Chaplain. Whatever I choose to eat, cigs in plenty, any books I like, and I can always get a good game of cards. What more could a chap want?"

"Then there is nothing else that you wish for?" the Chaplain asked. "Nothing at all?"

"No," said Baker. "Do you play cards, Chaplain?"

"Well, I used to play. Why do you ask?"

"I was wishing you would stay and play a game with me. I like you, sir, and feel I do not want you to leave me yet."

"That's nice of you, my lad, but I did not come to see you with the idea of playing cards."

"No, I suppose not. You came to talk to me for the good of my soul, eh?"

"No—not exactly. I thought perhaps you might like a chat with me."

"Well, suppose I were to inquire into the welfare of your soul, what then, eh?" said Baker.

"Fire away," said the Chaplain. "I told you any wish you had would be granted."

The young man smiled pleasantly at the Chaplain's quick reply, and the Chaplain, watching his open face, his sunny hair, and nice even teeth, felt a sudden contraction of his heart. The lad was twenty-two years old he knew.

How desperately, foolishly young he himself had been at twenty-two. He too had made one ghastly mistake then, and not all his years of devotion could wipe that out. Now this young man, to look at him—it seemed impossible to believe that he—

"Cheer up, Chaplain, you look quite unhappy," said Baker, interrupting the older man's thoughts. "Is it your sins or mine that you are worrying about?"

"My own sins," said the Chaplain quietly; and, looking into the pleasant face of this young man, he felt a desire to confess. "Fire away, my boy," he continued.

"What have you to say?"

"Padre," asked the boy, "did you ever nearly commit a murder?"

The Chaplain paused a moment before answering, then said, "Actually no, but spiritually, yes."

"How many did you murder?"

"Two people," said the Chaplain.

"At me time, or separately did you murder them?"

"At one time," came the reply. "What did you wish to gain by the murders?" asked the young man.

"I wanted money badly."

"I know how badly."

"Yes, I know you know," gently said the Chaplain, and after a

pause: "Would you like to tell me, my boy?"

"No, no," said the young man. "There is such a little while left now. I would rather we talked about you. I would like to hear about your life from when you were a young man like me."

"Then you shall hear it, Denis Baker."

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "More Than Friendship," by Hugh Castle.

After a few moments the Chaplain, dropping his voice to a lower tone, began his story.

"I had a good home—how good I did not realise—and spent much of my time kicking against the necessary restrictions. When I was eighteen I passed into a bank, and this necessitated my going to live away from home. My mother found a pleasant widowed woman and her daughter who were glad to have me as a boarder, and they made me very comfortable."

"It was intended that I should join a church and get to know some suitable young people among whom I might make some friends. However, getting into my work at the bank, and making the acquaintance of my colleagues filled up most of my time and thoughts. I hadn't much money to spend after I had paid for my rooms, and, of course, I was at the dandy age. Certain things I simply must have."

"Later on, I fell in love with my landlady's daughter, and she fell in love with me."

"After a while we had a sudden awakening from our romantic dream—she told me that she was going to have a child. She was desperate, she would not tell her mother, so she turned to me. What could I do? I was almost penniless, but I loved her, so I comforted her, and said I would get money somehow. From then on I grew more and more frantic—money I must have as I must marry the girl soon."

"What if my people should ever know? They were writing often for me to come home for the week-end. I made one and another excuse, then my father came to see me. He was very kind and I felt proud of him, but separated from him by miles and miles. If only I could have told him everything, but the mere thought of it made me sweat."

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TRAFFIC CASE ADJUDGED

In case in which Dr. M. Nicolson, of Alexandria, Baskling, and Mr. Tong Sit etc. of No. 88, Conduit Road, were summoned for driving their respective cars with-

MASS MARRIAGE CEREMONY

Local Celebration On Saturday

SPONSORED BY CHINESE YM.C.A.

The growing popularity of the mass marriage movement in China has undoubtedly been influenced by the way it has been sponsored by high Chinese Government officials. Another factor has been the elimination of many unnecessary formalities and extravagances in the Chinese marriage ceremony, which has been generally welcomed by the community at large.

In accordance with the movement the Chinese YM.C.A. of Hong Kong is conducting its first mass marriage ceremony on Saturday next at 4 p.m. at the Association Auditorium, Bridges Street. Sixteen pairs registered to take part in this ceremony, but only eleven have been approved by the examination committee. Among these eleven pairs are teachers, merchants, clerks and workmen.

It is made compulsory for brides and bridegrooms to be to attend a series of lectures before the ceremony itself. In this connection Mrs. P. S. F. Tso will speak to them on "The Way to Love and Respect After Marriage" on Sunday next; Professor T. S. Han, of Hong Kong University, will speak on "The Social Meaning of Marriage" the following day; Dr. F. S. Lam, of the Bank of China, will discuss "The Significance of Marriage" as it relates to Married Life" on Tuesday; and Dr. M. W. Shi will address them on "The Physiology of Woman" on Wednesday.

Dr. David W. K. An, President of the Association, will preside over the meeting and Sir Shouson Chow will officiate at the marriage ceremony.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Cyril Chadderton, Pearce Apartments, Shanghai, and Miss May Robertson McCreath, who is en route to the Colony by the s.s. Naldora.

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GERMAN CRUISER'S ARRIVAL

Karlsruhe To Stay Ten Days

ENTERTAINMENT ARRANGED FOR VISITORS

The following programme of entertainment for the officers and men of the German cruiser Karlsruhe, which arrived in the Colony this morning, has been arranged.

The official call of the Wardroom of the Dorsetshire on the Wardroom of the Karlsruhe, which was paid this morning, will be returned to-morrow morning, after which all calls will be considered paid, and returned.

This afternoon the Karlsruhe's football team will play a practice match. From 5.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. there will be a reception at the German Club to 120 men from the cruiser, to be followed by a supper at which they will be entertained by 25 local families. At 11 p.m. they will return on board.

To-morrow morning at 8.30 a party of 40 will leave by train for Canton, returning on Sunday evening or at noon on Monday. At 2.30 p.m. 120 will be taken for sightseeing walks. Others will have an opportunity of playing tennis. A football match, Karlsruhe v. Dorsetshire, has also been arranged. The Cruiser Races of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will be sailed on Saturday, continuing on Sunday. Supper will be served on board, after which the men will have shore leave till midnight.

On Sunday, from 9 to 10 a.m. there will be a Church Parade and Service at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, the sermon being preached by Herr Superintendent Ohlke, of the Berliner Mission, Canton. At the conclusion of the service wreaths will be laid on the graves of members of the crews of the former German squadron in Eastern waters, after which the men will go sightseeing in town, returning on board at noon. In the afternoon, from 2.30 onwards, there will be walks, trips round Hong Kong and tennis.

At 7.30 p.m. about 120 men will meet at the German Club for supper with 25 local families, while eight wardroom officers, six cadets and six warrant officers will be entertained at an informal dinner and cinema show on board H.M.S. Dorsetshire; three senior officers will dine with the Captain. Return on board at midnight.

Monday, February 10. There will be a rifle shooting match at Stonecutters Island, when tea and other refreshments will be provided. In the evening a dinner-party will be given by Commodore Sedgwick.

Tuesday, February 11. Excursion to the Shing Mun Dam.

Wednesday, February 12. From 9 a.m. to noon three parties of Cadets will be conducted over H.M.S. Dorsetshire. The Captain of the Karlsruhe will pay an official call on the Commodore. The Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will hold their Team Race. From 3.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. there will be a children's party on board the Karlsruhe, and at 7.30 p.m. about 120 persons, after meeting at the German Club, will take supper with 25 local families.

Thursday, February 13. There will be a reception held on board the Karlsruhe. At 8 p.m. a dinner to the officers of the Karlsruhe will be given on board H.M.S. Tamar, and at 9 p.m. an "At Home" in the C. and P.O. Recreation Rooms, Royal Naval Dockyard, when the orchestra of



Joel McCrea and Miriam Hopkins are in the Samuel Goldwyn production "Barbary Coast," which is soon to be screened here.

THE FUTURE OF AUSTRIA

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STARHEMBERG'S TALK WITH FLANDIN

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Vienna, To-day.

A semi-official Austrian news agency publishes a statement by Prince von Starhemberg to its Paris correspondent concerning the Vice-Chancellor's conversation with the Foreign Minister, M. Flandin. According to this statement the Prince informed M. Flandin that Austria reserves to herself entire freedom of action in all matters relating to her internal policy, including the problem of the regime and the eventual Hapsburg restoration.

Prince von Starhemberg affirmed that he had emphasized that there could be no question of Austria renouncing her rights to establish a monarchy, but at the same time he recalled the Austrian Government's repeated promises not to undertake any decisive steps in this connection without preliminary negotiations with the Powers. Regarding the possibility of an exchange of views between Austria and the other Central European States Prince von Starhemberg declared that he had acquired the conviction that such an exchange would only serve a useful purpose if Italy participated in it.—Trans-Ocean Service.

H.M.S. Dorsetshire will render a selection of music.

Friday, February 14. The Karlsruhe will be open to visitors from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. There will be a sailing match between boats of the Karlsruhe and Dorsetshire. Twenty-five local families will again entertain about 120 men to supper and there will be a musical evening at the Helena May Institute.

Saturday, February 15. In the morning a team from the Karlsruhe will meet a team of Hong Kong and Canton Germans at "Famstball." In the afternoon there will be a football match, Karlsruhe v. Canton Germans, and athletic sports—long jump, high jump, putting the weight, 100 metres race, relay race (4 x 100m.) and tug-of-war. The Karlsruhe will be open to visitors from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, February 16. The Karlsruhe will again be open to visitors from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. A farewell party will be given at the German Club at 8 p.m.

FRENCH CONVENT SCHOOL

Annual Prizegiving Ceremony

AWARDS PRESENTED BY MRS. G. R. SAYER

The annual prizegiving of St. Paul's Institution (the French Convent School) took place yesterday afternoon in the School Hall in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends of the pupils. The prizes were distributed by Mrs. G. R. Sayer, the wife of the Director of Education, who was also present.

The Rev. Father G. Byrne, S.J., read the report on behalf of the Headmistress, prefacing his reading with thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Sayer for their presence. Mrs. Sayer was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers. Subsequently a concert was given by the pupils, which was much appreciated.

PRIZE LIST

Class I
School Certificate with Honours and Distinction in French, Biblical Knowledge, Domestic Science, 1st Class Prize and Special Prize for French, presented by the R. R. Fathers of the French Mission, Josephine Cho.

School Certificate with Honours, 2nd Class Prize and Special Prize for French, presented by the French Consulate, Margaret Kong.

School Certificate, 3rd Class Prize and Special Prize for English, presented by Mr. Ho Kam-tong, O.B.E., Catherine Fong.

School Certificate and Class Prize, Frieda Salmon.

School Certificate and special prize for Distinction in Biblical Knowledge, Pauline Trinh.

School Certificate and the Montargis Prize for Distinction in French, Suzanne Marty.

1st Prize for Good Conduct and Integrity and the winner of Lady Peel's Shield for 1935, Violet Bradbury.

Senior Prizes, Juliet Hassan, Lily Sadick, Naseria Nazarin.

Class II.—1, Annie Suffad; 2, Anita Tang; 3, Veronica Thirlwell.

Special Prize for Drawing and Painting, Cynthia Chan.

Special Prize for French, presented by the R. R. Fathers of the French Mission, Jeannette Wong.

Special Prize for Biblical Knowledge, Alice Thom.

Class III.—1, Marjorie Lee; 2, Lily Trinh; 3, Sarah Wong.

Class IV.—1st Class Prize and the Legard Scholarship for 1935-1936, Ema Julehin; 2, Suzanne Wong; 3, Vera Wong.

Class V.—1, Sally Wong; 2, Topsy Dyer; 3, Florence Cheung.

Special Prize for Catechism, Kathleen Chan.

Class VI.—1, Lily Leong; 2, Paula Chan; 3, Margaret Chow.

Special Prize for Good Conduct and Regularity, Ethel Chue.

Class VII.—1, Joyce Lee; 2, Pauline Beck; 3, Priscilla Piria.

Class VIII.—1, Clara To; 2, Doreen Steyans; 3, Betty Yue.

Class IX.—1, Frieda Stevens; 2, Minna Ismail; 3, Molly Ho; 4, Moini Chellaram.

Chinese Preparatory Class

For English

Division I.—Special Anna Memorial Prize, Pearl Ling.

1st Class Prize, Margaret Nay; 2, Angelina Nay; 3, Georgina Lau.

Division II.—1, Hilda Yu; 2, Eileen Ma; 3, Anna Lo.

Trinity College of Music—Advanced Senior Certificate with Honours and 1st Prize, Margery Tan.

WINTER GAMES IN GERMANY

Opening Ceremony Performed

HERR HITLER PERFORMS THE HONOURS

Berlin, To-day.

Garmisch - Partenkirchen: This beautiful Bavarian mountain resort became the centre of the world's interest when, in the presence of many prominent representatives of Germany and other countries as well as more than 1,000 competing athletes and upwards of 500 foreign newspaper correspondents, Herr Hitler formally opened the Fourth Olympic Games here at 11.30 a.m. yesterday.

The Chancellor arrived shortly before eleven o'clock at the Olympic Stadium, where he welcomed the members of the international Olympic Committee and the diplomatic corps. At eleven sharp the procession of the competitors, representing 28 nations, began to enter the stadium with the Greek team marching at the head and the German team bringing up the rear.

The President of the organising committee of the Olympic Winter Games, Herr Ritter von Halt, then delivered a speech welcoming the competitors from Germany and abroad. At the close of the speech, Chancellor Hitler formally declared the Games opened. Thereupon the German ski champion, Willy Bogner, recited the formula of the Olympic oath, to which all the competitors signified their adherence by raising their right arms.

Punctually at 12 noon Herr Hitler left the stadium and the opening ceremony, which had been witnessed by upwards of 60,000 spectators, was concluded. The first sporting item in the programme was the ice-hockey match between Germany and the United States, beginning at 2.30 p.m. yesterday.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Senior Certificates and Prizes, Jeannette Wong, Paula Hollands.

Intermediate Certificate and Prize, Thelma Alvares.

Junior Certificate with Honours and Prize, Elsie Lane.

Junior Certificate and Prize, Purita Montinola.

Advanced Preparatory with Honours and 1st Prize, Pauline Beck.

Advanced Preparatory and Prize, Peggy Kinchin.

Special Prizes for Progress in Music: Paula Chan, Yvette Arnous, Monique Arnous, Kathleen Kinchin, Mary Co.

The Concert

The concert presented prior to the prize-giving revealed admirably the talents of the pupils. The piano duets by the Miss J. Wong, M. Tan and P. Hollands were very well rendered, while the dancing of the two Bradbury sisters and Miss P. Wood fully deserved the applause received. The little tots, too, did their numbers in a commendable manner.

Following is the programme of the concert:

1.—Piano Duet

"Huntsman's Chorus" Misses J. Wong & M. Tan

2.—French Chorus "Les Gondoliers" Accompanied by Miss Barretto

3.—Nursery Rhymes and Band Accompanied by Miss V. Bradbury ... The Infants

4.—Piano Solo "Gradus and Parnassus" (Claude Debussy) Miss Barretto

5.—Christmas Scene "Two Little Stockings" Santa Claus: M. Sainsbury. Angel: Elsie Lane. Accompanied by Miss Paula Chan ... The Pupils

6.—Piano Duet "Spanish Dance" (Mostowski) Misses M. Tan & P. Hollands

7.—Rainbow Drill & Dances The Pupils, Misses V. & J. Bradbury & Miss P. Wood

8.—Chorus "The Merry Bells" The Pupils

When the distribution was over, Mr. Sayer thanked the school on behalf of his wife and himself for the very enjoyable entertainment that had been presented, and remarked that Mr. Balston, the Inspector of Schools, had been very favourably impressed during his visit to the institution.

POLITICS IN AMERICA

Three Acts To Be Repealed

Washington, To-day.

In accordance with Mr. Roosevelt's recommendation on February 3, Congress has passed a bill, which has been sent to the White House for ratification, repealing the Bankhead Compulsory Cotton Act, the Smith-Kerr Tobacco Act and the Potato Act, which come under the Agricultural Adjustment Administration legislation.

The three bills for the extensive navy modernisation programme introduced last week by Mr. Vinson into the House of Representatives are backed by the Navy Department, including the construction of 221,000 tons of auxiliary craft.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Dr. Wilhelm Solf

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Berlin, To-day.

His Excellency Dr. Wilhelm Solf, former German Ambassador at Tokyo, died here in the early hours of yesterday morning after a long illness, aged 74. He held the post of Ambassador from 1921 to 1928.

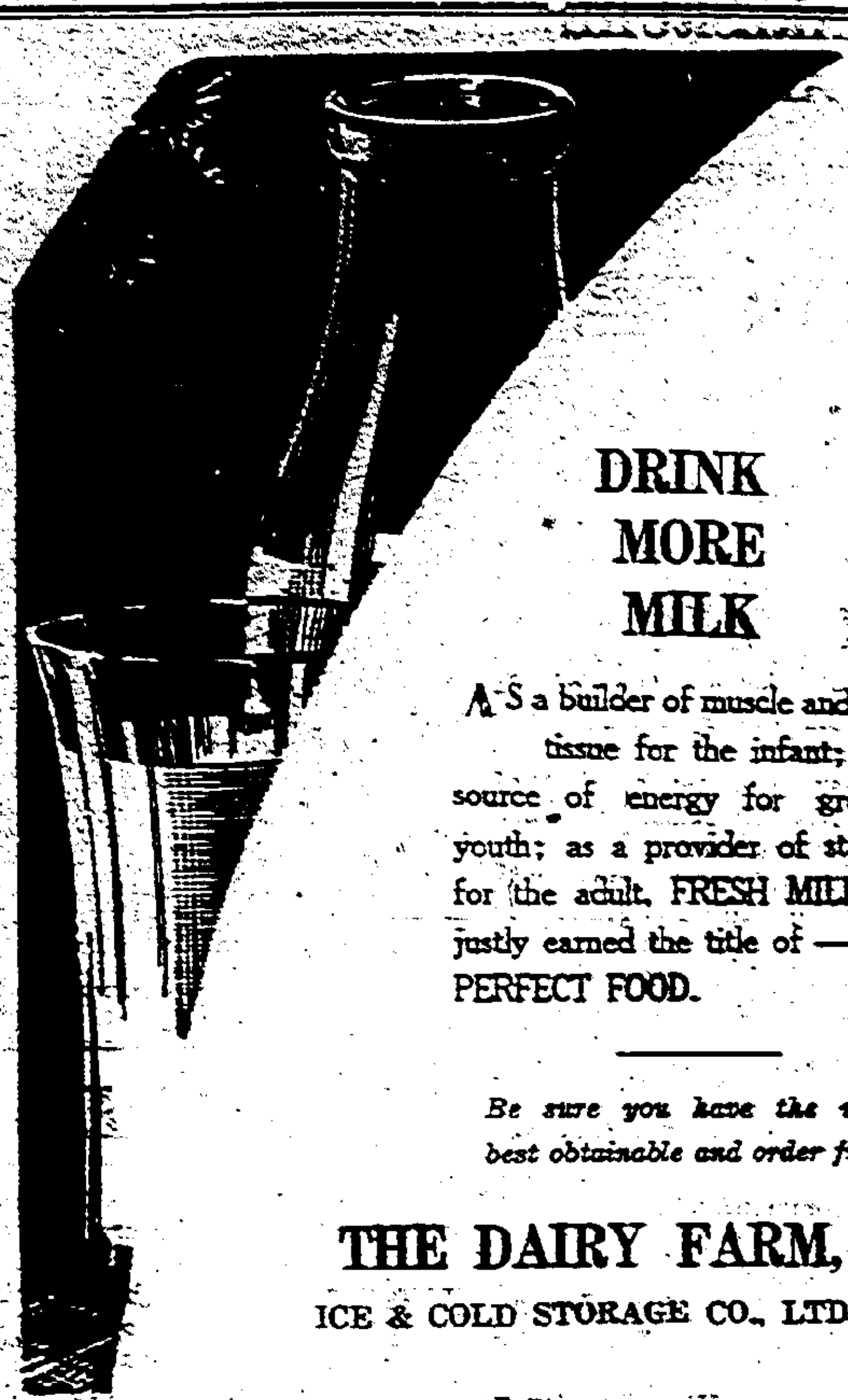
Although in recent years he had figured less than before in public affairs he continued to be held in the highest esteem as a scholar, statesman and patriot.—Trans-Ocean Service.

RECORD FLIGHT ATTEMPT

Rose Arrives At Cairo

Cairo, To-day.

The British pilot Captain Tommy Rose, who left London at 0.25 o'clock yesterday on an attempt to make a record flight to Cape Town, arrived here at 5.15 p.m. Greenwich time, having made an intermediary landing at Malta.—Trans-Ocean Service.



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Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY CLUB

"Games Afternoon" To Assist Funds

The Women's Section of the European Y.M.C.A., in a laudable effort to assist the funds of the Hockey Club, have arranged a "Games Afternoon" in the form of Bridge and Mah-jongg drives, for Monday, February 17, beginning at 3 p.m. The games will be played in the West Lounge. Tickets of entry, which will cost \$1, which will include afternoon tea.

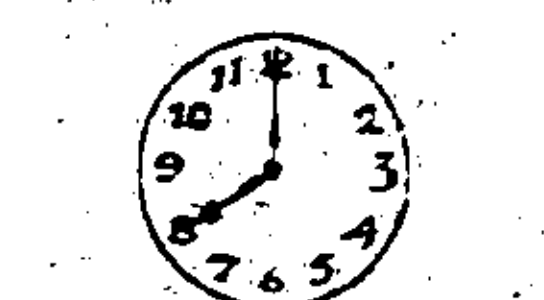
With so many devotees of

the game living within easy distance of the Y.M.C.A., it is thought, and hoped, that there will be a large attendance; and this early notification of the coming event should give ample time to those who wish to enter to reserve this afternoon when making their engagements. The entire proceeds of the occasion will be handed over to the Hockey Club.

Invitations have been issued by Messrs. Wallace Harper and Co., Ltd., to a display of the new 1936 Ford V-8, made in Canada, and the Ford "Ten," made in England, at their showrooms, No. 223, Nathan Road, on Saturday and Sunday next from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

9 women out of 10 live on their Nerves instead of their Food

Is this your time table?



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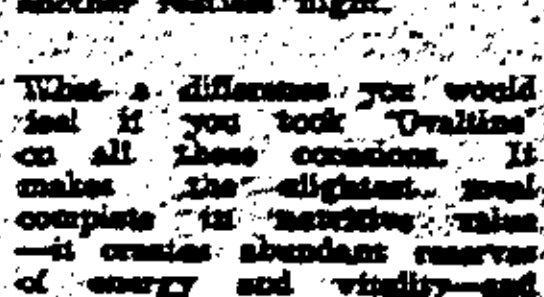
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The Confession

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"Then I turned my attention on to the bank—my mind was desperately open for any way to get some of the heaps of money that passed through our hands. After weeks of this I had a plan. I had already asked for a transfer to one of their foreign banks, and in a month was to sail.

"I had had considerable difficulty in obtaining my parents' consent to this great move, but they could see that I was terribly restless. My plan was to wait until a matter of days before leaving the bank, and then, on a late night when I knew that only three of us would be working, to creep suddenly upon each of the others and, with two quick sharp blows from a coal hammer, knock the two of them out. I would get off with a lot of money, hide it in a secret spot I had found in the neighbouring churchyard, and then rush with the alarm to the police station.

"I would swear I had seen two men, that I had rushed out after them as they had taken the money, but that one of them had tripped me up. When I got to my feet again and ran to the corner, the men had disappeared. All this was going to be plain-sailing, as I tried to think. With the money I could buy a passage for my girl. We would get married and begin a new life in another country."

Dennis Baker stirred in his seat, and the Chaplain, wiping his forehead, looked at him.

"Did you mean to kill them out-right?" the young man asked.

"Oh, no, no, only to have stunned them, knocked them senseless while I got away with the money."

"Yes," said Baker. "That was all I meant to do, too. Go on, sir—what happened?"

"An opportunity did not occur as I had hoped," continued the Chaplain. "There were too many of us working late together. The days drew nearer to my departure, and then one evening my girl told me that her mother had been asking questions, said she was looking ill, and wanted to take her to a doctor.

"I was almost dizzy with fear—not for her, I am ashamed to say—but for fear that my people should find out before I could get away."

"The day came at last. I said my good-byes at the bank, and then I went back to my landlady and I settled up with her. While I was packing in my last few things my girl came to my room in an agony of mind because I was leaving her."

"I took her in my arms and told her not to worry, that even yet I should have the money—in fact, I was expecting it directly I got home, and the poor credulous little soul believed me."

"I had but four days to spend at home before my boat sailed. We clung together in one close embrace and then I left her."

"I went to Brazil. Letters from my girl were forwarded on to me from the bank at home. I did not answer them. She seemed so far away—what could I say? What could I do? I left her, and that, my son, was my sin."

"Some years later, when I was home on leave, I tried to find her—if she could only forgive me I would marry her, but I found no trace. All I could discover was that not very long after I left she and her mother had moved away. I made inquiries at a little seaside town where I had known them to go for their summer holidays, but everywhere I met with failure."

"Then the whole thing began to prey on my mind, and at the end of another year I had made a change. I entered a training college and eventually became what I am. At times I feel I must scream from my pulpit what I have done."

The Chaplain ceased speaking, and each for a while was occupied with his own thoughts. The young man looked steadily at the clergyman. Then, speaking very quietly, he said:

"Thank you, sir, for telling me your story, and I hope that you will find it has eased your heart to confess."

And as the Chaplain rose:

"I expect you must be going now, sir, but you will be here in the morning?" he inquired eagerly.

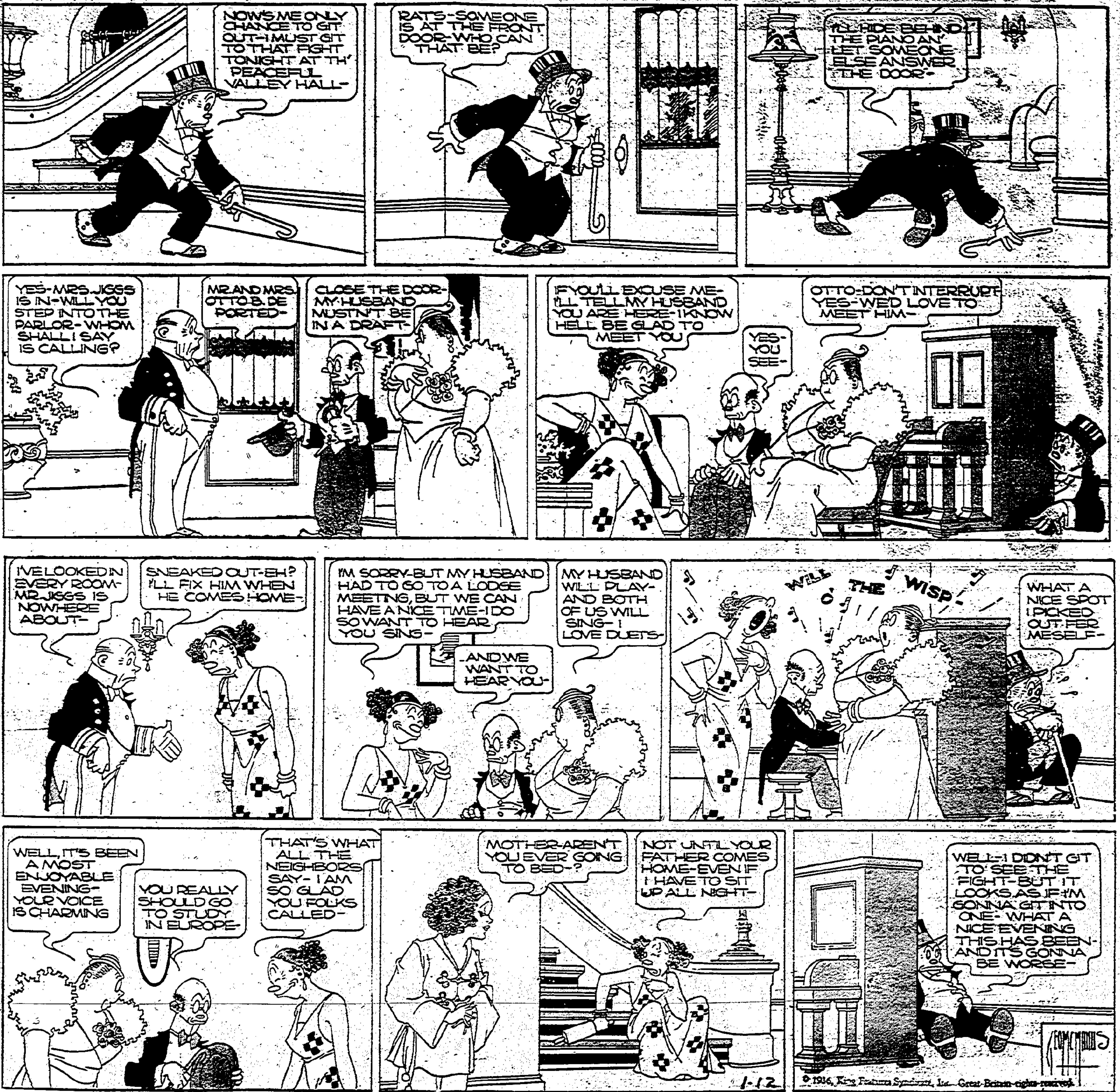
"Yes," was the reply.

"You won't fail me, sir?"

"No, my son. I shall not fail you."

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Talkie Talks

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George Arliss in another of his historical dramas, "Cardinal Richelieu", follows. It is hardly different from other character studies given by this sterling actor, but his myriads of admirers will flock to see Mr. Arliss, no matter what the picture. Edward Arnold, Maureen O'Sullivan, Douglas Dumbrille and Cesar Romero chief in support. (Star).

"The Gay Deception"

Light, nonsensical, whimsical and gay fare with a story that flavours of O. Henry. Francis Lederer, the Czechoslovakian actor, has the best break of his screen career as the happy-go-lucky Prince who decides to be a bell-hop in New York's most fashionable hotel, and learn the business from the bottom up. Miss Frances Dee (Mrs. Joel McCrea) is the pretty stenographer who yearns to enjoy life for a short while with a \$5,000 sweepstake prize. She is natural, vivacious and full of charm, and turns in a splendid performance.

Others in the big cast contribute, too, their share in making this a picture to be highly recommended. William Wyler, the director, as usual makes it intelligent and bright with an irresistible appeal. Among the excellent support you will find Benita Hume, Alan Mowbray, Ferdinand Gottschalk, Lennox Pawle, Luis Alberni, Richard Carle and others. There is no deception in the entertainment value. (King's).

"Lady In Danger"

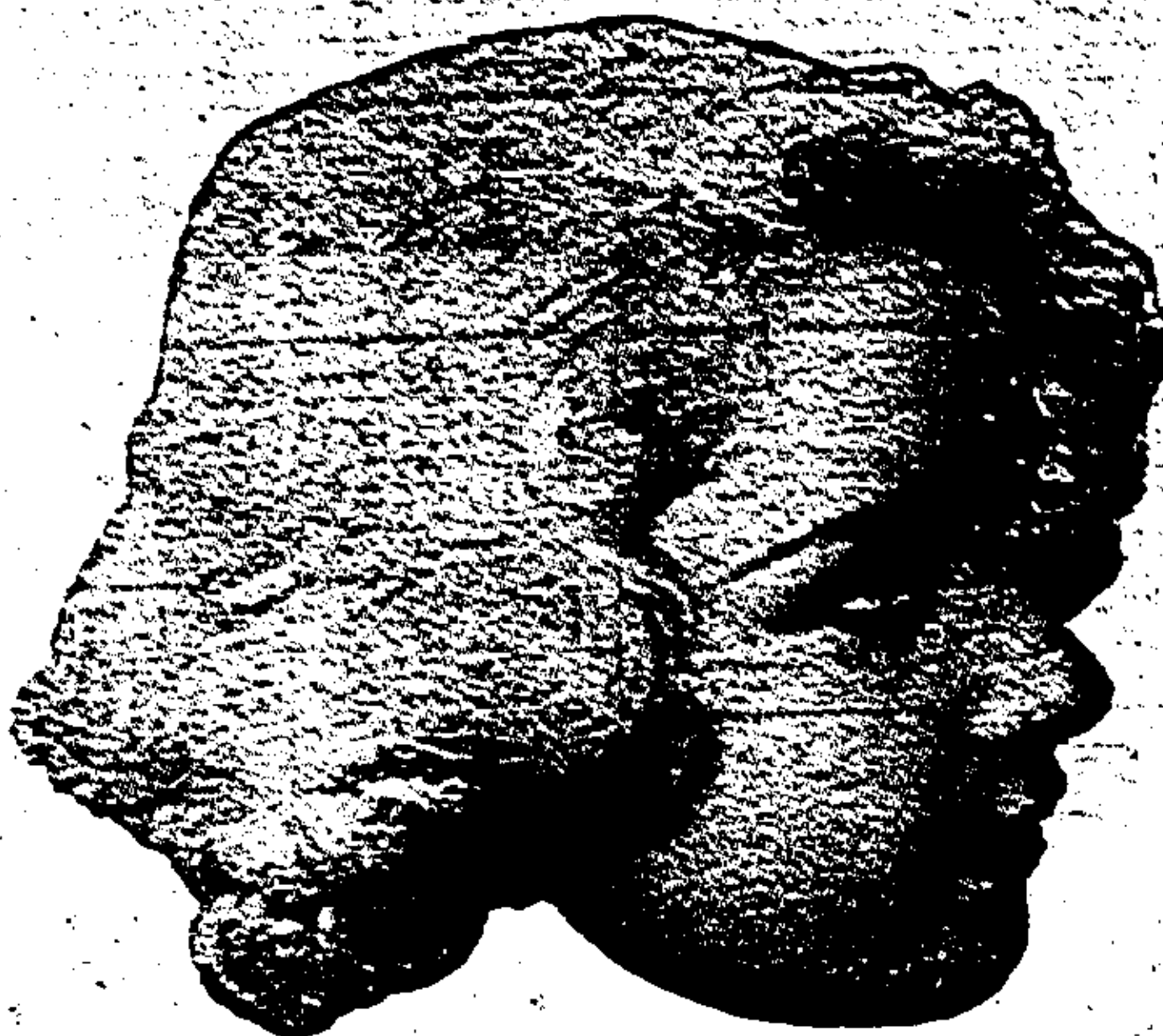
Another of those Detective Trent stories starring likeable Ralph Bellamy in the principal role. This time we have a pretty society girl (Shirley Grey) seeking thrills and becoming involved in a jewel robbery. She is handed more than she bargained for, (including a kidnapping), but all turns out better for her than she deserves, after a series of exciting adventures.

Bellamy is, as always, good, while J. Carroll Naish, Arthur Hohl, Charles Sabin and many more lend their usual fine support. Quite worth seeing if you care for this type of play. (Alhambra).

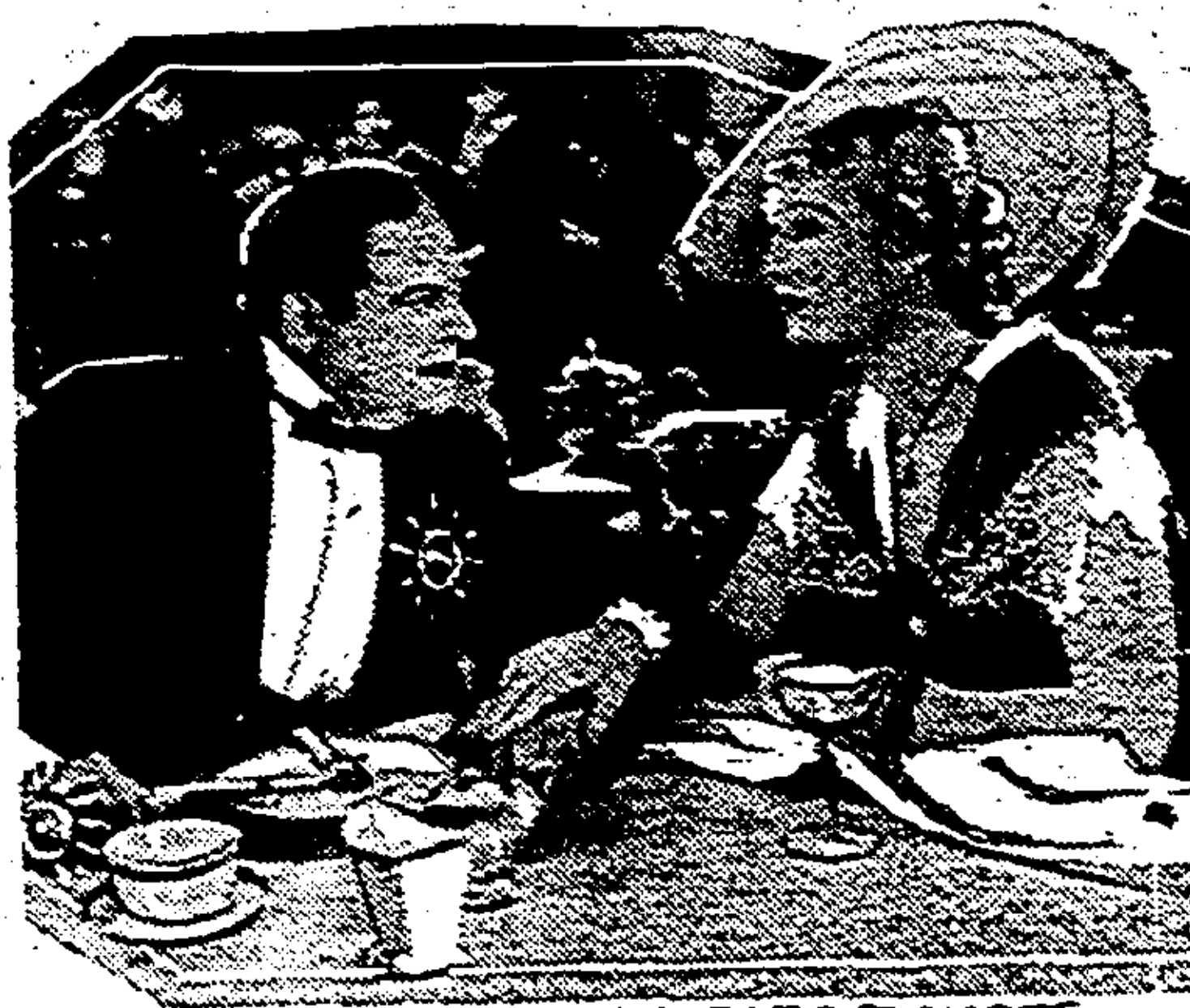
"Here Comes Cookie"

When I say this comedy stars Burns and Allen, you know what to expect. They are, if possible, goofier than ever. The story tells how a millionaire (George Barbier) wants to prevent one of his daughters (Betty Furness) from marrying a money-seeking foreigner. In order to pretend he is poor, he deeds all his money to his other daughter, who happens to be Gracie Allen. From then on the fun starts in earnest, and Gracie fills the house with out-of-work vaudeville acts, including a seal and acrobats.

Gracie is really an excellent comedienne, and I guarantee lots of laughs. Her outstanding song and dance number is "The Vamp of the Pampas" but she carries most of the success of the show on her shoulders, with the rest of the cast acting as her "stooges". (Queen's).—DIANE.



Lovely Joan Blondell, who cowers through drama and comedy with equal success, is teamed with James Cagney in the Warner Bros. production, "He Was Her Man," now being shown at the Queen's Theatre.



Edward Arnold and Binnie Barnes are in "Diamond Jim," a Universal production now being shown at the Majestic Theatre.



Shirley Temple, John Boles and Jack Holt are in "The Littlest Rebel," the Fox production which will be shown at the King's Theatre to-morrow.



Binnie Barnes plays the part of Lillian Russell in "Diamond Jim," a Universal production which is now being shown at the Majestic Theatre.



Edward G. Robinson is in "Barbary Coast," a Samuel Goldwyn production, which will soon be screened here.



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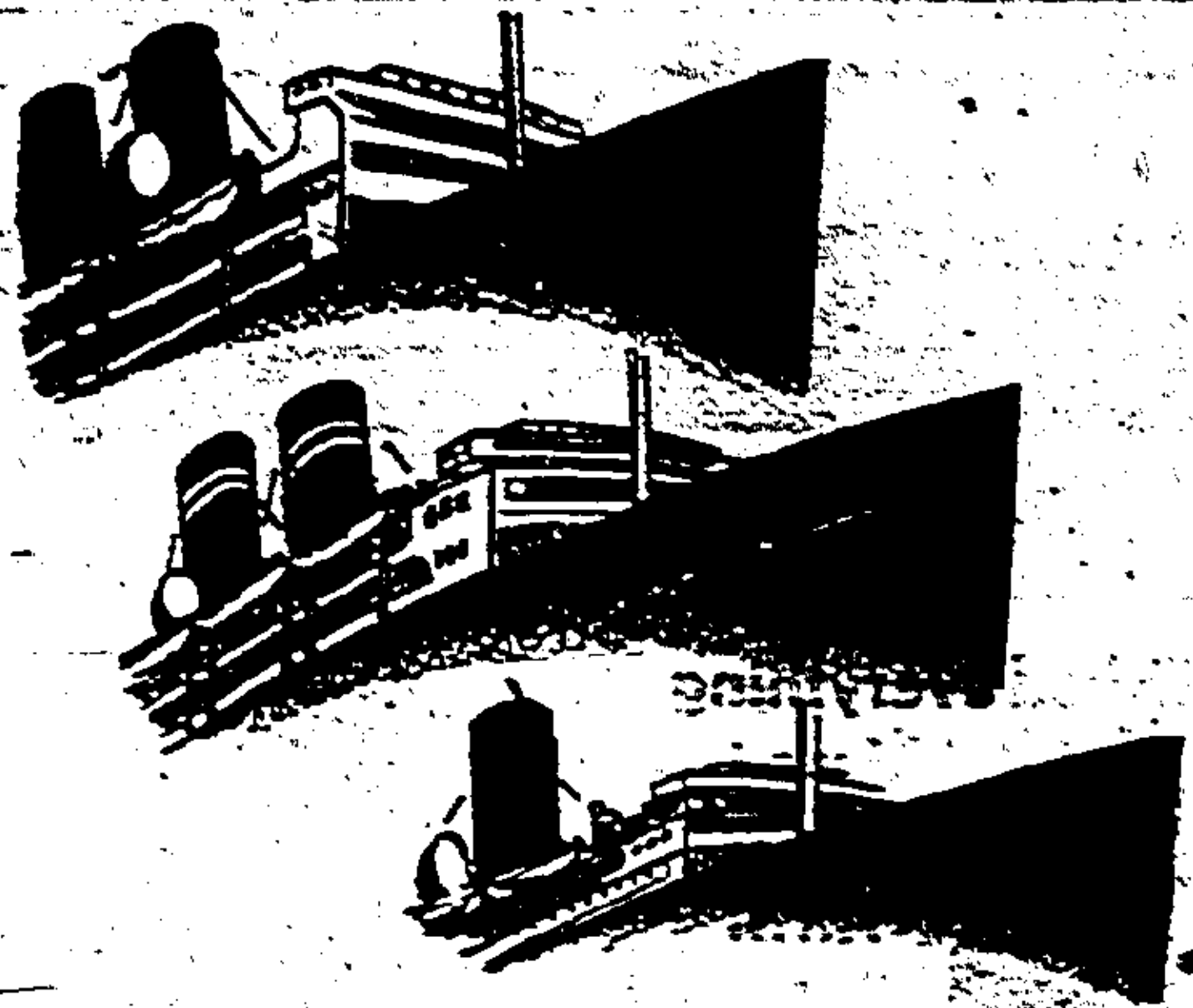
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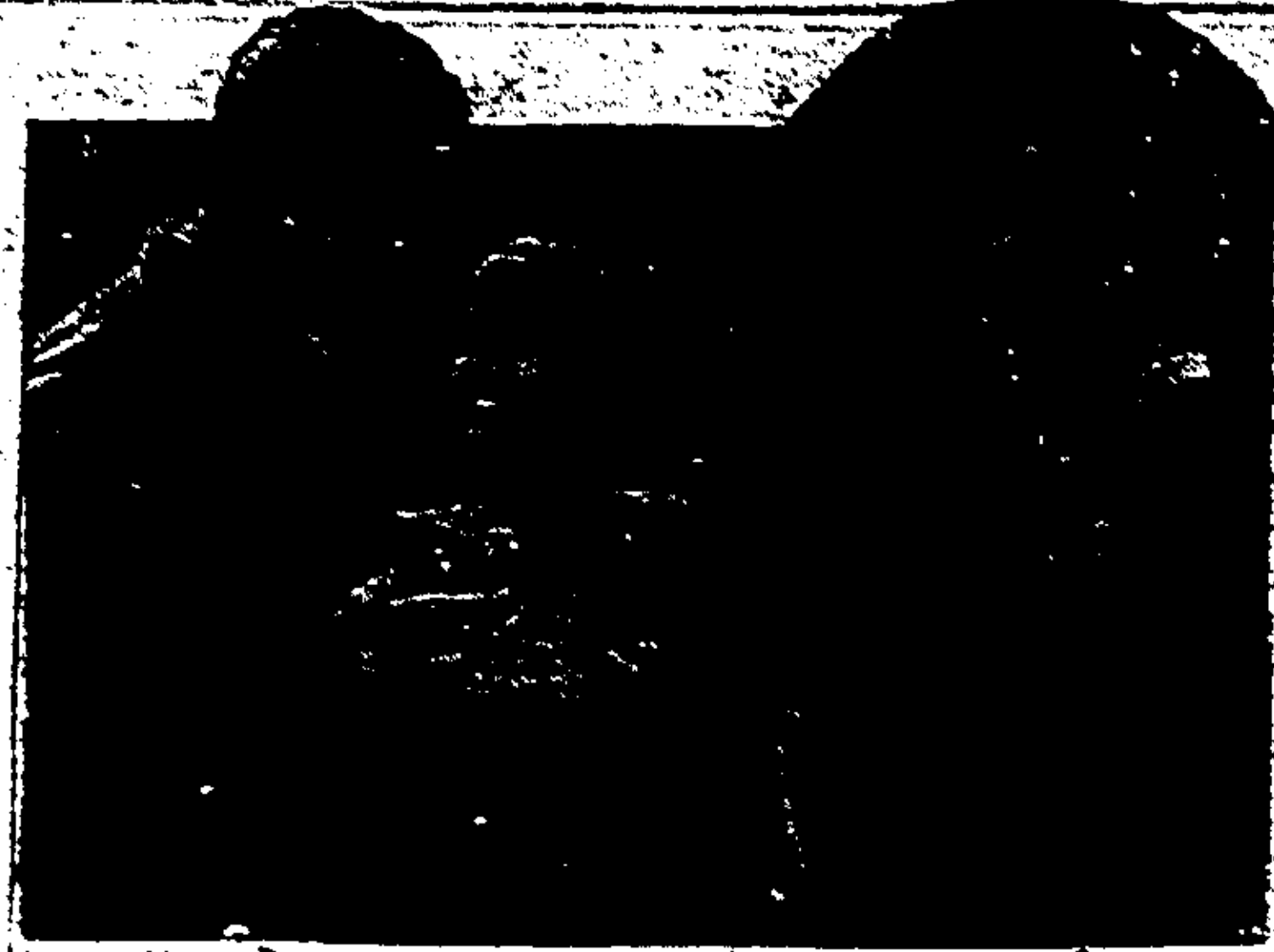
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Many Unjustified Criticisms

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It was therefore almost a pleasant surprise to read about Hofmeyr's and Babrow's successes for Western Province against Transvaal in the recent inter-provincial matches. I asked Hofmeyr if he thought our centre play was weak and while he felt it was hardly his place to say, he thought that much of the trouble was due to the same players playing with and against each other from the under 19 upwards.

They got to know each other's play so well that it was not easy to do anything outstanding. Every move was more or less anticipated. When I congratulated Hofmeyr on his and Babrow's success against Transvaal, he smiled and said it was simply due to the fact that their opponents had not seen them play before.

Loose Play

I think there is a lot in what Hofmeyr says about the players knowing each other too well. Another reason, too, is the development in recent years of loose forward play. To-day centre play is much more difficult than it was in the days of Japie Krige and Boy de Villiers. Brilliant as were these Stellenbosch giants, the fact is they did not have the loose forward to contend with after they had beaten their opposite numbers.

"The loose forward troubles the centre more than the fly-half," Hofmeyr said. "It is easy enough to beat one man, on his inside; but as soon as you go inside now you run straight into the loose forward. It is practically useless to try to break from a set scrum unless you go on the outside, and then you have to be very fast to get round the loose forward."

Quick Heel-Back

"Nowadays," he went on, "the only way to score is to get near your opponents' line, and when the ball comes out of the scrum allow yourself to be tackled. A quick heel-back by the forwards and an attack towards the opposite direction very often results in a try being scored. Andre McDonald was good in this, for he would quickly get the ball away and start a movement from side to side."

Hofmeyr is 23 years of age, five feet 11 inches tall, and he weighs 165lb. He started his rugby career in Montagu for his school and the town team at the age of 15. He was a fly-half. In 1930 he left Montagu for Stellenbosch University. He went straight into the under 19 A team, first at full-back and then at centre. Two years later he was in the Stellenbosch first team.

Right from the under 19 he and De Waal had worked up a good understanding under the expert eye of Dr. Strasheim, who made them practise from the goalposts as often as possible. He was very keen on the swinging movement, and Hofmeyr and De Waal were very successful in this under 19 competition. In 1931, in his first year in senior rugby, against Somerset West at Newlands, Hofmeyr scored two very fine tries.

Zig-Zag Run

He zig-zagged his way through the Somerset West forwards as they broke up from the line-out, and the manoeuvre was so unexpected that it came off, and brilliantly, too. Those two tries stamped him as a centre to be watched; but he has had a somewhat chequered career since then. In 1932 he got his cap for Western Province, rather luckily, he thinks, because the Junior Springboks were away at the time, and the selectors were narrowed down. But the selectors did not

forget him. Last year, when Western Province played against Free State in the Currie Cup tournament at Newlands, Hofmeyr played in the curtain-raiser. His partner was Babrow—for the first time—but they did not play well together. Their handling was bad, for one thing. I don't suppose either of them ever thought they would play together again for Western Province, and strike up such a happy combination. Yet after the Province Transvaal friendly at Paarl, an old campaigner told me that he had not seen such good centre play for years.

Hofmeyr attributes his own success to Babrow's excellent play. "What I like about his play," he said, "is that he runs strongly and is always full of dash. You've got to get a move on to stay with him. He is very quick too, to snap up a mistake by an opponent and start a movement. In this way he gave Van der Vyver his try under the posts."

In any game you can only play as well as your opponents will let you, but you must possess the ability and the quickness of mind to seize your chances. At Paarl Holton and Turner admittedly did not play well for Transvaal. Holton made a beeline for Hofmeyr every time; he came up very, very quickly—and left a gap for Babrow to take.

Young And Eager

Hofmeyr has rugby in his veins, for in 1899 his father, A. W. Hofmeyr, played for Villagers and for Western Province as a half-back when back play in the Western Province was of a really high standard. Is there any reason why he and Babrow, who, by the way, is related to M. Zimmermann, should not become Springboks?

They are young enough, and are certainly eager enough to go on improving, and they both realise that they still have a lot to learn. I only hope they will be given every chance to improve their game and realise their ambitions to play for South Africa against Australia and New Zealand in 1937. This can only be done if the critics appreciate the difficulties of centre play to-day and criticise helpfully.

This constant parrot-cry about our centre play being weak is getting on everybody's nerves, and is giving the players a definite inferiority complex. There is a lot of truth in what a former Springbok told me. "Hofmeyr and Babrow have been a great success at centre," he said. "But now they will have to maintain the same high standard in every game they play, or they will be damned."

DISAPPOINTING SHIELD DRAWS

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In the Junior Shield, however, two excellent games should be witnessed when the East Lancs. present leaders in the Third Division, encounter their strongest rivals, Eastern, while the Engineers, the holders, meet the Liga Portuguesa.

The following is the draw for the Semi-Final Round of the Shield competitions, to be played on February 22—

Shield Draws

CLUB	SENIOR
Canisway Bay, 4.15 p.m.	Police
S. CHINA 'A', 6.15 p.m.	G. China
Canisway Bay, 2.30 p.m.	Junior
Canisway Bay, 4.15 p.m.	Engineers
Canisway Bay, 6.15 p.m.	Liga Portuguesa

The Confession

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At a quarter to eight next morning the Chaplain and the young man, Denis Baker, had just risen from their knees. Footsteps were approaching outside, and Baker drew from his pocket an envelope. It was addressed to the Chaplain, and underneath his name the name of the prison in which they stood.

He handed it to the clergyman. "Open this, please," he said, "when I am gone."

As the Chaplain placed the envelope in his pocket a key turned in the door and a voice called Denis Baker!

The young man stood to attention. "All ready," he answered. Then, turning to the Chaplain, "Good-bye, sir," he said.

"Good-bye, my son," said the Chaplain, and they moved out from the prison cell together.

An hour later the Chaplain drew from his pocket the envelope addressed to himself and opened it. On a small sheet of paper was written:

"Miriam Baker was my mother. She lives at—
"You will not fail me, Father?"

"Denis Baker."

[THE END]

GEORGE RODGER AS GOALKEEPER

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No Present Player

Despite the excellence of the quintette now serving the Club, the forward line of this eclectic eleven contained no present local player, although the claims of Ernie Strange and Bickford were not overlooked. Great difficulty was experienced over the filling of the outside-right berth, a position never adorned by a really brilliant exponent. Ultimately it was allotted to Jimmy Hamilton, a temperamental player who could rise to great heights when properly nursed and fed, and the presumption was that in this team he would get all the necessary support to bring out the best in him. About his wing mate there was no argument, the unanimous choice being Alec Forsyth, the Alec James of Hong Kong football.

Albert Howe and "Tootie" Begg contested the honour of leading the line and, while all agreed that Begg was one of the most spectacular and brilliant forwards the Club has ever had, Howe was nominated as best. He was thought he would combine better with his wings. Coeur, a hustling, bustling Dane, chokeful of energy, courage and football, with a vicious shot in either foot, was the selected inside-left, and to partner Coeur, Pennell, now in Tientsin, twelve stone and more of amazing energy, the possessor of a glorious shoulder charge and a tremendous shot, chose himself.

The Eclectic Eleven

And such was the eclectic eleven of these four cronies, chosen from Club players since 1910—

G. RODGER.
A. T. HAMILTON.
"DYE" BLACK.
J. POTE-HUNT.
J. STEWART.
J. RODGER.

J. HAMILTON.
A. FORSYTH.
A. HOWE.
H. COEUR.
W. PENNELL.

Such an eleven, these four averred (and we heartily concur), would make rings round any team playing here to-day. The defence would be well nigh impregnable and George Rodger's job would be a sinecure. The forward line would have craft and guile on the right, and skill, weight, speed and terrific shooting power on the left. Flanked by these brilliant wings, and supported by such ideal halves, Howe would have a glorious time tapping the ball into the net.

Perhaps supporters of some other Club will object by choosing an eclectic eleven to meet the above combination, and may be someone, gifted with the necessary imagination, might describe the match.

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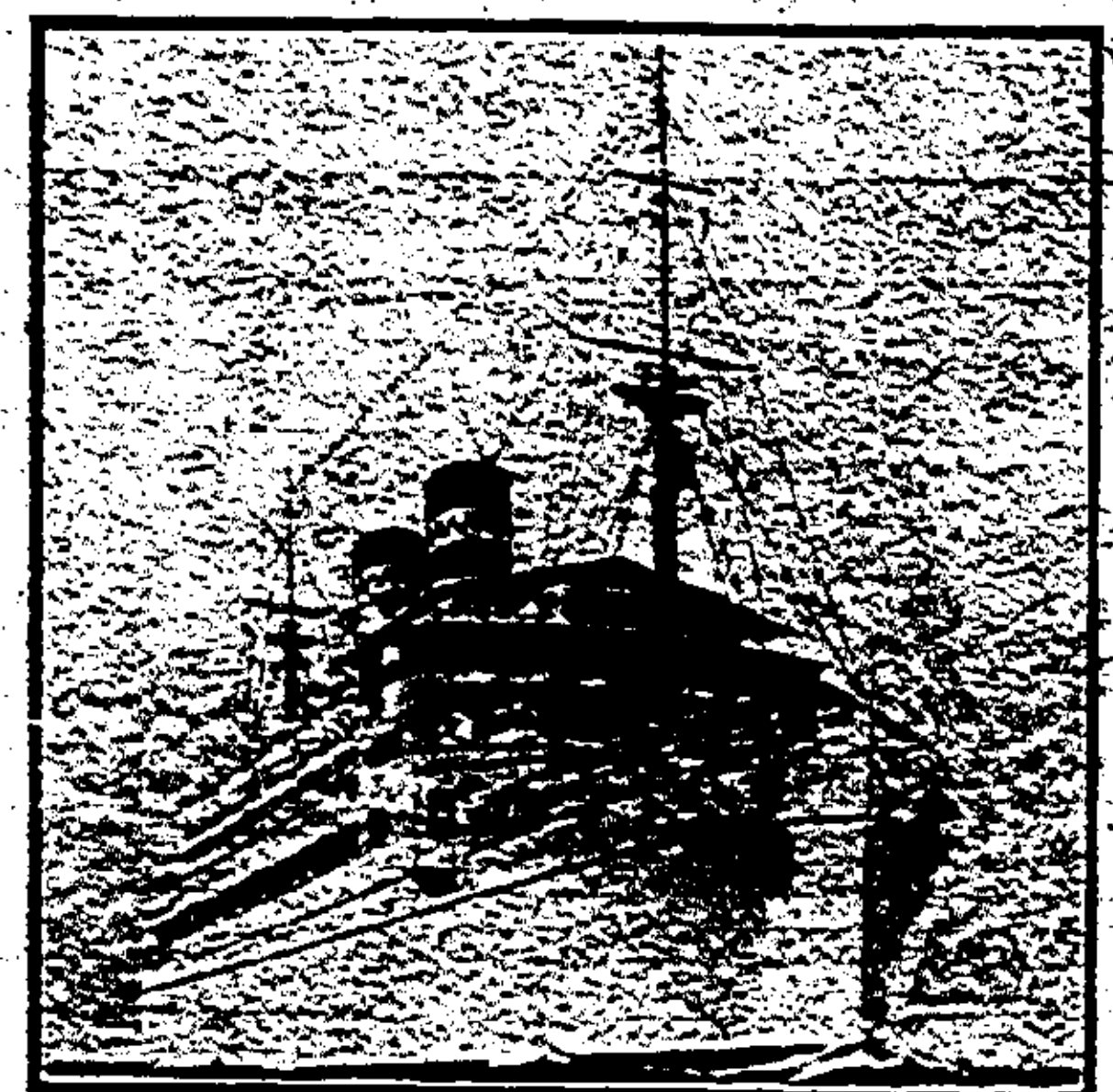
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A Wonderful Match Player

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This exciting state of affairs caused the crowd of people and dogs to swell in size, and some of the former could see no more than the latter and probably understood even less. At the 10th Aitken, whose approach putt was a little too strong, was stymied dead. One up to Wethered. But back came Aitken with a wonderful short with his No. 8 iron from a bad lie on the left of the 11th. It went just over the green, but Wethered was very short and stared at the result of his stroke in horror and surprise. Aitken held a good putt down the hill. Wethered missed—all square again.

A Fine Chip

Aitken played a fine chip from well over the 12th green, Wethered answered by putting his No. 8 iron nearly dead, but up at the 8th. Coming home, he again he failed with the putt. One up to Aitken. The sea hole was halved in 4. Wethered hitting a terrific iron shot onto the green—the best stroke of the match. Aitken again chipping dead in three. This was the crisis, and at last Aitken missed a putt and his 3 at the 14th. Wethered got his 3—all square.

Bang, bang, went two huge drives to the 15th, a half in 4, though Wethered had to hole a nasty little putt to get his. At the 16th Aitken at last broke, hooking the second far away on to broken sandy ground. Wethered ran up some dead, while Aitken made a brave effort to play an almost impossible shot. One up to Wethered.

Wethered was straight but a little short in the 17th. Aitken on the right, then Wethered delivered

ed the death blow suddenly, holing in 3 from some four yards. So tense had the match been that one could hardly believe all was now finished. It had been a great struggle; the winner had timed his spurt to a nicety.

A Great Struggle

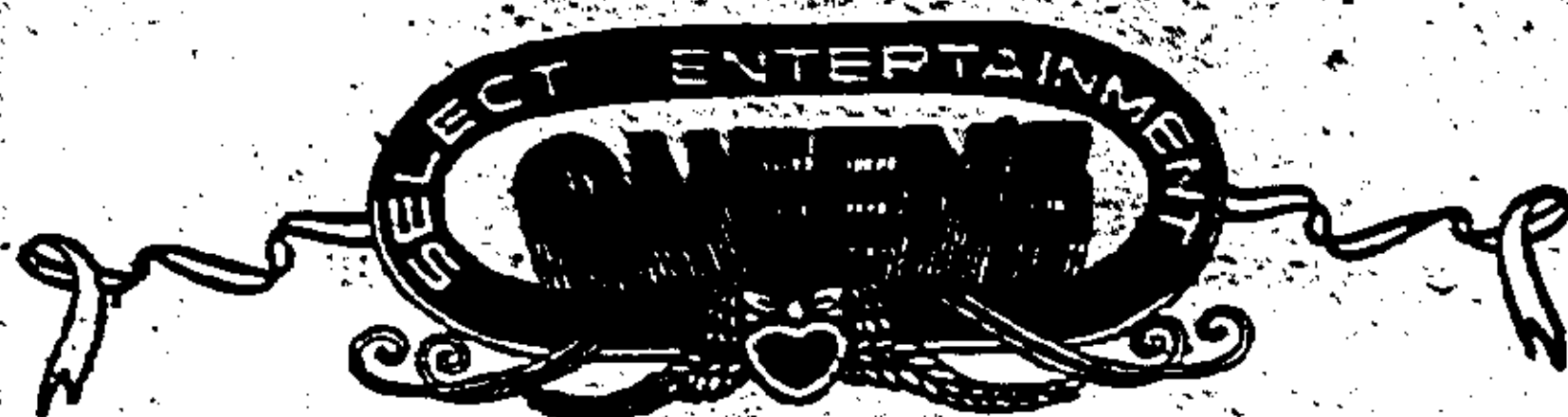
In the morning Wethered beat a past winner, Leonard Crawley, at the 12th. Both were striking the ball well, but Crawley took three putts just too often. He recovered several times in characteristic manner during the homeward halt, and winning the 14th with a two and the 15th with a four, became only one down. The 16th was halved, but at the 17th Crawley's tee shot settled deep in an irrelevant little patch of sand and he could not back it on to the green. That was the end.

In the other match, G. H. Mick, well over the 12th green, Wethered answered by putting his No. 8 iron nearly dead, but up at the 8th. Coming home, he again he failed with the putt. One up to Aitken. The sea hole was halved in 4. Wethered hitting a terrific iron shot onto the green—the best stroke of the match. Aitken again chipping dead in three. This was the crisis, and at last Aitken missed a putt and his 3 at the 14th. Wethered got his 3—all square.

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FUTURE OF MR. LIU

Some Conjecture In Canton

DEPARTURE FOR NANKING ABANDONED?

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

Newspaper circles here are frankly puzzled to-day by the official statement issued on behalf of Mr. Liu Lu-yin, propaganda director of the Kuomintang South-west Executive Committee, saying that he will continue his job here and will not go to Nanking to take up the appointment of Minister of Propaganda of the Central Kuomintang.

The statement further declares that Mr. Liu will not accompany Mr. Hu Han-min to Nanking.

This communique causes considerable surprise, as it is generally known that Mr. Liu wishes to offer his services to the Nanking Government. He urged Mr. Hu Han-min, his political "boss," to return from Europe in order to serve the Nanking Government and went to Singapore to welcome him.

Newspaper circles venture the belief that Mr. Liu's action means either that Mr. Hu will not go to Nanking or that a substantial post in Canton will soon be available for Mr. Liu. The Ministry of Propaganda in Nanking or the propaganda directorship here is only of third-rate importance.

GERMAN AIR EXPLOITS

Famous "Circus" Feats Recalled

(CHINA MAIL SPECIAL)

London, To-day.

The President of the Union of Ex-Airmen of the Royal Flying Corps, has, at the request of King Edward (then Prince of Wales) expressed his thanks to Lt. Colonel Bodenschatz, the publisher of the book "Jagd in Flanders Himmel" ("Hunt in the sky of Flanders") and his admiration of this first "flying-book" dealing as a whole with the famous Richthofen Flight Squadron No. 1—Trans-Ocean Service.

GRAPHIC STORY OF CONDITIONS

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COLLECTIVE SECURITY
Paris: No positive results whatever came of the Paris diplomatic discussions, said one of those participating, the Turkish Minister, Rushdy Aras, to a correspondent of the *Paris Midi*.

He added, however, that this had not been the aim of the discussions, which had been held in order to examine the question of collective security by the extension of Article XVI of the League Covenant.

The two experiments of collective security which had already been carried out, namely, the sanctions and the despatch of the British fleet to the Mediterranean, combined with the British questionnaire as to the assistance of the other Powers, justified the assertion that collective security had been successful, since the acute tension in the Mediterranean three months ago had been lessened.—Trans-Ocean Service.

Italy's Sanctions Attitude

"UTTERLY FANTASTIC" REPORT

Rome, earlier: An authoritative statement issued by the Press Ministry states that the rumours now current in foreign countries, that, in case of a further intensification of the sanctions, Italy would immediately call 1,000,000 people to the colours, is "utterly fantastic."

Just as absurd, states the report, is the rumour that the Council of Defence has recalled General Santini Moravigli from East Africa.

Likewise, ridiculed are the rumours that the Abyssinian Government has signed a treaty with Italy. "The relations between Italy and the Sand have always been very correct."

ADM. OIKAWA IN CANTON

Impressed By Scenic Beauty

OFFICIAL VISIT CONCLUDED

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

After seeing Canton at its best, Vice-Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, Commander-in-Chief of the Third Japanese Squadron, left here this morning aboard the gunboat *Saga* for the open sea to board the cruiser *Idzumo* for Formosa.

General Chen Chi-tang, head of the Kwangtung army, entertained Admiral Oikawa and his staff to dinner yesterday. Senior administrative officers of the First Group Army and Consul-General Tatsuo Kawai were also present at the luncheon, where a spirit of Sino-Japanese cordiality prevailed.

From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. yesterday, Consul-General Kawai held a reception in honour of the visiting Admiral at the Consulate-General. Among those who called on Admiral Oikawa were members of the Consular body, leading foreign merchants in Shamen, members of the Japanese community, Mayor Liu Chi-wen and a representative of General Chen Chi-tang.

Admiral Oikawa told foreign correspondents that he was much impressed by the natural beauty of the environs of Canton and the civic progress of the city. He added that his trip, though official, had no diplomatic or naval importance.

RAIL DISPUTE IN EUROPE

Between Germany And Poland

BIG REDUCTION IN SERVICES CONTEMPLATED

(CHINA MAIL SPECIAL)

Berlin, To-day.

The Reich Government has been notified by the Polish Government that from midnight to-day a considerable reduction of trains, carrying both passengers and goods, will be carried out on the route crossing Polish territory in both directions, between East Prussia and the rest of the Reich.

This decision is stated to have been taken as a result of the negative outcome of the negotiations which have been going on during the last few days between the two Governments arising from the accumulation of arrears for transit charges made by Poland in the normal way against the German Government, owing to the latter's inability to transfer to Poland the necessary sum of money, now aggregating to about 60,000,000 Zloty. The German Government is prepared to put the sum in question at the disposal of Poland in Reichsmarks, to be used within the Reich.

Poland is technically entitled to take this step, but the German Government had hoped that the friendly relations between the two countries would enable another basis of settlement to be found.

The step of the Polish Government reduces the traffic from East Prussia to the Reich to a mere fraction of normal times, and the Reich Government has immediately taken steps, such as an increased steamer traffic from Stettin to Koenigsberg and an increased air service, to provide the best possible compensation.

It is still hoped that after further deliberations ways will be found to resume the customary time-table.—Trans-Ocean Service.

ITALY'S BUDGET

The budget estimates for 1936/7 show an expenditure of 1,609,891,000 on the navy, that is 305,000,000 more than last year. Italy proposes to spend on education 1,636,078,000 lire in the coming year, that is, slightly more than last year.

Paris: The lectures of Professor Jene will be resumed at the faculty of the law at the Sorbonne on Monday next. To prevent the recurrence of incidents such as the rioting which forced Professor Jene to give up his last lectures some days ago, only such students will be admitted to the lecture hall who can produce documentary evidence that they have subscribed to Professor Jene's course of lectures.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MURDER AT DAVOS

Dr. Motta Reports To Council

NOT COUNTERANCED BY THE STATE

(CHINA MAIL SPECIAL)

Berne, To-day.

At the plenary session of the Federal Council, the chief of the Political Department, Dr. G. Motta, reported the murder of the German Party Group-leader Wilhelm Gustloff, and the conversation he had in the course of yesterday with the German Minister, Herr von Weizsaecker.

The Federal Councillor stated that the murder, as far as the evidence disclosed, had nothing to do with the various attacks made by some sections of the Press against foreign States. A sign that the Federal Council would not countenance such abuses was that severe warnings were issued recently, for instance to the papers *Travail* in Geneva and *Droit du Peuple* in Lausanne, regarding attacks against Fascism and National-Socialism appearing in their issues of January 2, when an order of suspension of publication had been threatened in the event of repetition.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MOTOR-SHIPS FOR CANADA

New German Service Proposed

(CHINA MAIL SPECIAL)

Montreal, To-day.

In the spring of 1936, the Hamburg-America Lines will re-open its passenger service to Canada by voyaging direct to Halifax. For this service the motor-ship *St. Louis*, the largest German motor-ship, will be used. It is considered that the recent relief of certain admission regulations by the Canadian Government has actuated the Hamburg-America Lines to try and enliven travel between Germany and Canada.—Trans-Ocean Service.

MARKET VALUE OF GOLD

Question In House Of Commons

London, To-day.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, informed the House of Commons, in answer to a question yesterday, that the value at the present market price of gold added to the reserve of the Bank of England in the last four years would be about £131,000,000. He added, in reference to the suggestion of a member, that it would be highly misleading to seek to relate the credit structure of a country to the figures of the net imports of gold, as shown in the Customs returns, and put by his questioner at £14,000,000 in the last four years, as these do not necessarily represent the transfer of gold to or from British ownership.—British Wireless Service.

ARMS COMMISSION ENQUIRY

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AGREEMENT FAILURE
In 1930 the War Office concluded an agreement with the company whereby, in consideration of its maintaining a rifle manufacturing plant, the company would act as sole selling agents for the Government surplus of rifles and Lewis guns. The agreement was now being terminated. It had failed to achieve its object on account of the embargo on the export of arms.

Captain Ball, of the Sole Armament Company, which acted as R.S.A. agents, said that arms were never sold to revolutionaries. Their business was conducted purely with Governments.—Reuter.

WEATHER REPORT

The depression is moving eastwards across South Japan. The anti-cyclone over China is increasing in intensity and pressure is now highest in the north-west of Shanghai. North-east winds, heavy rain, some drizzle, was the forecast for today, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

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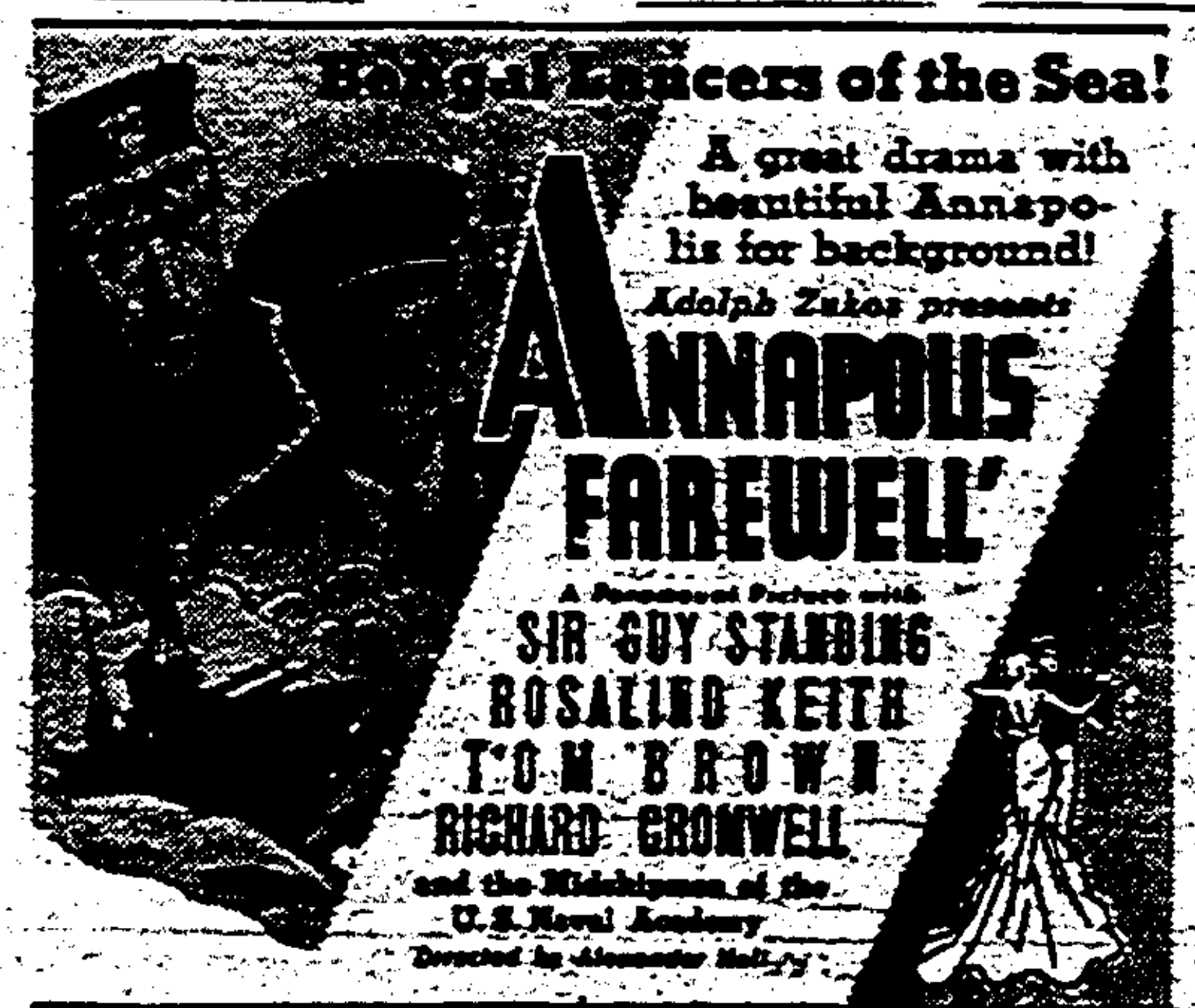


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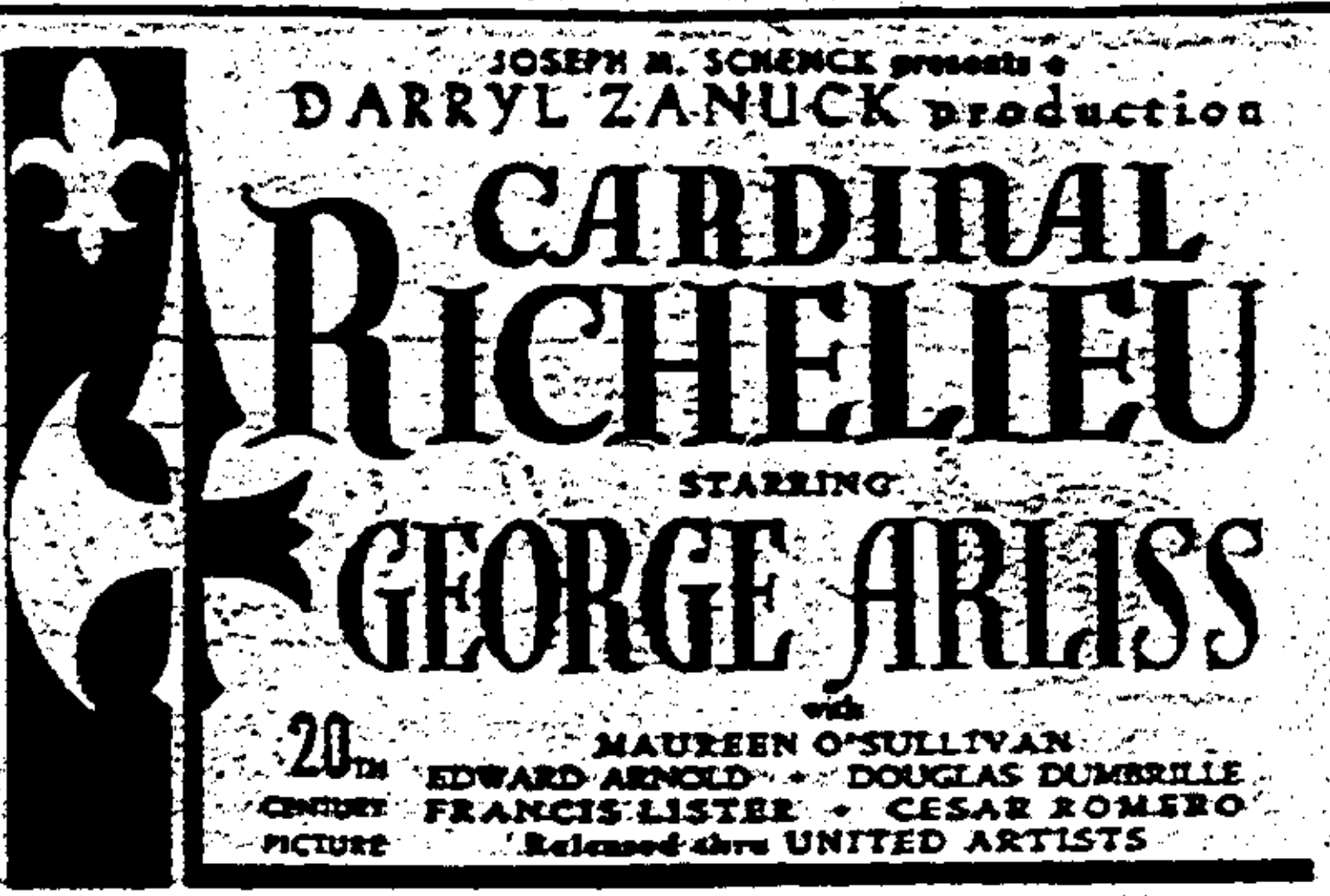


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